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D.U.T.C. MERGER PLAN CRITICISED BY SHAREHOLDERS

THE proposed compulsory acquisition of the Dublin United Transport Company and its merger with the Great Southern Railways Company was described by a shareholder, at an extraordinary general meeting of the D.U.T.C. in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, yesterday, as "an effort to bolster up the C.S.R."

The meeting, which had under consideration a resolution, proposed by the Chairman, the Right Hon. James MacMahon, P.C., "that should legislation providing, inter alia, for the compulsory acquisition of the D.U.T.C. become law, the proprietors agree to the company's acquisition on the terms already published," was adjourned to February 4th.

The shareholders, who had the first opportunity of expressing their views on the Government's decision to acquire the company compulsorily, maintained an intensive barrage of outspoken criticism for over two hours. Not one shareholder spoke in favour of the scheme.

When Senator P. T. Kelly pressed the Chairman to tell how the whole question of acquisition was initiated, it transpired that the Government's decision was conveyed to the company verbally, and that no written record of it was in existence.

"You may remember," said the Chairman, "that there is a commission now inquiring into, perhaps, shady transactions in connection with information supposed to have been disclosed. The Minister, quite rightly in my opinion, did not have any writing, and there was no question of disclosure when the discussions were taking place. There was the utmost secrecy and the utmost confidence. We did not ask for letters, because we had no reason to doubt the accuracy and reliability of the communication made to us that the Government had decided compulsorily to acquire us."

Maintaining that the terms should have been in writing, Senator Kelly said that it seemed extraordinary that the company should be "given away on a verbal undertaking."

HIGHEST FIGURE

The Chairman, at the outset, said that this year they had looked forward with confidence to achieving even more satisfactory results than in 1942. That pleasing outlook had, however, now been dispelled by the Government's decision. "Intimation of that decision," he said, "came upon us as a most unpleasant surprise. The Minister made it perfectly clear that he conveyed not only his own decision, but that of the Government as a whole. Compulsory acquisition had been definitely decided upon, and it did not admit of any reconsideration. The Minister expressed his willingness to discuss the terms on which compensation might be made to the company's stockholders, and his action in this regard was dictated solely by his desire to arrive at mutual agreement—if at all possible—as to the method and measure of such compensation, and so to avoid the procedure and expense attending alternative resort to legal arbitration proceedings.

"Realising the hopelessness of any endeavour to procure reconsideration of the Government's determination to acquire our company compulsorily, we were necessarily driven to examine closely the question of compensation and to press its measurement on the highest obtainable scale. The compensation was not as large as that for which we strove. It was, and is, the highest figure to which the Minister, under our pressure, would or could commit himself, and I may add that it was substantially in excess of the sum which the Minister had conceived at the outset of the negotiations on this point."

Mr. Jn. Callinan said that, under the Government's proposals in relation to Debenture stock, shareholders would lose one-third of their income. The excuse was that the proposed change was for the benefit of the public. But what of the 4,000 members of the public shareholders of the company?

Mr. D. J. O'Connell said that he thought it unfair for the Government to hold out statutory guarantees unless they were given statutory authority to do so by the Dail. By too easily yielding to this demand for acquisition he felt they would be creating a temptation for other concerns to be treated likewise. Under the Constitution of the State the property of the individual was protected.

When Mr. John Traynor asked if the directors had objected to the Government's proposal to acquire the company, the Chairman replied: "There was no room for objection. None would be heard. It had been decided."

Declaring that the whole matter looked "very seedy," Mr. Traynor asked was the acquisition being put through to bolster up another company.

Chairman—I have tried to explain that when the Government, with its ample powers, tells us that they are going to do something willy-nilly, there is no use in discussing that power.

Voices—The Government that is doing this has not a majority in the Dail.

Mr. Traynor said that the Government's action was an effort to bolster up the G.S.R., "which will go down no matter what you do."

When Senator Sir John Keane asked if the company had considered the alternative to this offer—arbitration—Mr. W. E. Wylie, S.C. (director) said that at any arbitration sittings, the advocate on behalf of the new company would urge upon the arbitrator to take a ten-year average of the share-value, rather than basing the assessment on their present high value. In that connection, he would point out that in 1941 the value of the tramway ordinary shares was only 12s. and of the preference shares £1. He also stressed that if the arbitrator struck a ten-year average of profits the shareholders would not be paid off at par, or anything like it. If he struck a five-year average, the result would be something less than the Government's present offer.

"I think the odds are against us and that an arbitrator would arrive at a smaller figure than the present one," added Mr. Wylie.

ALTERNATIVE

Replying to a suggestion that the meeting be adjourned to enable further representations, or pressure, to be brought to bear on the Government, the Chairman referred to a letter which he had received from Mr. T. J. Flynn, Assistant Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Commerce, dated January 24th, and stating that no useful purpose would be served by any further consideration of the terms of acquisition as agreed with the directors, and that the only possible alternative to the terms of acquisition set out in the circular issued to the stockholders was the provision in the forthcoming Transport Bill of an independent tribunal to settle alternative terms.

Senator D. O'Sullivan suggested an adjournment so that there would be time for the proposals, including those for arbitration, if necessary, to be brought before the Dail.

The Chairman said that it seemed certain that the Bill would be passed. He would oppose any motion for adjournment, as he did not think it would serve any useful purpose. The company could not prevent compulsory acquisition.

A proposal by Senator O'Sullivan that the meeting be adjourned to February 4th was carried by a big majority.

No Strike Of Dublin Laundresses

THE strike of women and girl workers in the sixteen Dublin and district laundries is off. A ballot vote, which was taken in the Supper Room of the Mansion House last night, resulted as follows:—

For acceptance of the employers' offer of a 2s. 6d. bonus for adults—613; against—567. Majority for—46.

The strike was to have begun tonight, and already several laundries had ceased collections. Owing to the great inconvenience that the strike would cause to hospitals, institutions and the general public, the Dublin Trades Union Council convened a conference at the eleventh hour. The employers made their offer of a 2s. 6d. bonus to adults, as against a claim of 4s. 6d. and a weekly wage of 56s. A mass meeting of the employees was held at the headquarters of the Irish Women Workers' Union on Monday night, but a decision was not reached. It was decided to have a ballot vote last night, with the result stated.

In addition to the 2s. 6d. awarded to seniors, first year workers are to receive 9d., second year 1s., third year 1s. 6d., and fourth year 2s. The bonuses are to date from the first week in December.

Pandemonium broke out when the result was announced by Miss L. Bennett, secretary of the Irish Women Workers' Union, and for ten minutes before the women dispersed, shortly after 10 o'clock, there were vociferous shouts of: "We want a strike."

At yesterday's sitting of the Wages Advisory Tribunal in Dublin the Irish Transport Workers' Union applied for a supplementary bonus of 6s., bringing the total to the maximum of 11s. per week for different categories of laundry workers in Dublin. Mr. Benson, for the employers, offered a bonus of 5s. to all except vanmen on commission, to whom they offered 3s. 6d. per week. This was refused pending a consultation with the men.

Novel Plan To Control Tinkers

THAT tinkers should be placed in a national reservation camp, taught to be good citizens, and only then released, was the suggestion made at the Louth County Council meeting in Dundalk by Mr. C. B. McGahon. There would be some chance of their supervision by the Gardai in that event, he said. The matter was referred to the County Manager to make representations to the Government.

Warning to Gas Consumers

The Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Company warns consumers that, due to the increased use of gas in the "off" hours, it may be necessary to curtail the existing hours of supply. This improper use of gas continues despite energetic action by the company's inspectors to discover the users and disconnect their supplies.

Attempts to use gas in the "off" hours are wasteful, and the resultant reduction in the supply periods is causing unnecessary hardship generally, and especially to those consumers solely dependent on gas for lighting and cooking.

Parachutes Found—Eighty British parachutes were found by German troops raiding a supply depôt in the Greek mountains, says German Radio. The Radio asserted that British aircraft had been dropping weapons and explosives for "Communist bands."—(A.P.)

Monopoly Extended

As forecast in the *Irish Times* last week, the G.S.R.'s road transport monopoly is to be extended to the counties of Kerry, Limerick and Clare. The G.S.R. will introduce a schedule of road transport services in these counties from February 1st. Time tables are being distributed and will be available at railway stations in these counties.

It is reckoned that the G.S.R. services will replace services carried on formerly by between 600 and 700 private vans and lorries. A small number of these will probably be taken over, and it is likely that private lorries equipped with gas-producer plants will be allowed to operate. The remainder will have to be laid up.

According to Mr. M. J. O'Connor, Secretary of the Lorry Owners' Association, these new extensions will give the G.S.R. a monopoly of freight distribution in almost exactly half the area of the twenty-six counties. This, he said, would give the G.S.R. such a grip of road transport in Ireland that private enterprise would have little chance of re-entering this field after the war. If this proved to be the case then the guarantee of the Minister for Supplies, that this monopoly was a purely emergency development, would be very small consolation to the lorry owners who were being put out of business.



ALLIES HOLD 15 MILES OF COASTLINE SOUTH OF ROME

LAST-MINUTE messages from Italy say that there are signs that the German commander is pulling out some of his nine divisions along the Garigliano front.

This first counter-move, more than three days after the first landing, is being made as Allied patrols, pushing more than 12 miles from the Nettuno beaches, are across and beyond the Appian Way and the main coastal railway to Rome.

British and Americans now hold at least 15 miles of coastline.

So far there has been no indication that the German Command is moving troops from Northern Italy to meet the threat on Rome's doorstep, Reuter's correspondent states. Allied troops, pushing inland, have, so far, encountered only hastily organised battle groups, and their opposition is described officially as "not formidable."

The Luftwaffe in the past few hours, however, has been putting up increased opposition over the beaches and the surrounding country. Spitfires patrolling along the convoy roads from the beachheads shot down eight German 'planes.

SUPPLIES

The landing of supplies is going on unabated.

As the Nettuno assault force strikes inland, the Germans along the main battle front to the south continue their stiff counter-attacks. Although these, on the whole, decreased in the past 24 hours. In the Monte Croce area the Germans are strongly disputing the French advance, but General Juin's forces have thrown back numerous counter-attacks. In the central sectors, American patrols have again pushed across the Rapido, while there is constant small arms fire across the river. On the lower Garigliano British troops have made a limited increase in the size of their bridgehead.

Repulsing German counter-attacks, these British troops have made short advances in the area of the Datiano ridge, north of Castelforte. They have also advanced short distances, after throwing back more strong counter-blows in the area of Minturno.

GUNS ACTIVE

On the Eighth Army front considerable movements of German vehicles have been observed.

German guns in the past 24 hours have been more active than recently, while the noise of heavy explosions has been heard from their rear.

Allied troops have occupied the town of Velletri—a jewel of the twelfth century — on the Appian Way, about 23 miles S.E. of Rome and about 15 N.E. of Nettuno, according to a German News Agency report.

Students' Branch of Labour Party

For the first time in the history of the Irish Labour movement the party is to have the support of a joint students' branch, representative of Dublin University, University College, Dublin, and the Royal College of Surgeons.

The branch has been affiliated to the Labour Party, and it has affirmed its allegiance to the administrative council. The officials are representative of the three colleges.

The branch will be primarily concerned with research into social conditions in Dublin, the results of which will be at the disposal of the branch movement in general. It will work in co-operation with the Fabian Society, of which Dr. O. S. Skeffington is chairman.

An official of the branch told a reporter last night that a campaign is under way to increase still further the strength of the branch.

At the annual meeting of the South Dublin Constituency Council of the Labour Party last night Senator Dr. J. Hannigan was elected chairman, Mr. W. Dalton vice-chairman and Mr. H. Craig secretary. Mr. J. Larkin, T.D. (junr.), was present. A resolution of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Michael Price was passed.

Warder Shot in Belfast Street

Nathaniel Robinson, a warder in Belfast Prison, was walking along Cliftonville road yesterday afternoon, and had just reached the corner of Alliance avenue, when two men approached him, drew guns and fired. Robinson was seriously wounded, and was brought to the Royal Victoria Hospital. His assailants, who were seen by a number of persons, escaped. All evening hundreds of policemen were engaged in an extensive search for them.

Robinson was saved from death by the buckle of his belt. When the gunmen fired Robinson instinctively put his hands to his stomach, and one of the bullets broke some fingers and was deflected on to the buckle of his belt. He is suffering from wounds to his fingers and severe bruising of the stomach.

Polish Envoy in Teheran.—The Polish Minister of State for the Middle East, M. Strassburger, has arrived in Teheran by 'plane from Cairo.—(Reuter.)

£80,000,000 For Relief

DURING recent weeks Britain's total war expenditure has averaged a daily rate of over £13,250,000, of which about £11,000,000 a day was on the fighting and supply services, and £2,250,000 a day on the miscellaneous war services. This was told to the British House of Commons yesterday by Sir John Anderson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who also announced that Britain's contribution to the United Nations' Relief and Rehabilitation Administration is to be at least £80,000,000.

He asked for a supplementary vote of credit of £750,000,000 to the end of the financial year, and a further vote of £1,000,000,000 for the new financial year. The House agreed to both votes, the ambit of which was enlarged by the insertion of the words "For the relief and rehabilitation in areas brought under the control of any of the United Nations."

Meath's Serious Crime Calendar

Before the business of Meath Criminal Sessions began in Trim yesterday, Judge Fawsitt, addressing the jurors, said that 15 of the 70 jurors summoned had failed to attend. That meant that he had only 55 jurors to carry on with, and, as far as he could see, there was a complete week's work of crime before them. There was one case of rape, four cases of carnal knowledge, one case of attempted concealment of birth, one of assault with intent to rob, three cases of theft, and three persons accused of conspiracy and sheep-stealing.

That, continued his lordship, was a tremendous calendar in this county, and, as it was the second such calendar in succession, it was not credible to Co. Meath. The ordinary civil business was not transacted on the last occasion, and it might not be on this occasion either. It was a very unsatisfactory state of affairs. The jurors must be in attendance each morning of the present week under penalty of a fine.

Rose Mary Clarke (20), domestic servant, Monknewtown, Slane, pleaded guilty to attempting to conceal the birth of a child of which she had been delivered.

Judge Fawsitt imposed a suspensory sentence of six months' imprisonment, with hard labour, and directed accused to enter into a bond to be of good behaviour for two years.

Britain Will Not Recognise Bolivia

Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, told the House of Commons yesterday that the Government would not recognise the revolutionary junta at present in control of Bolivia as a legal Government of that country, and that His Majesty's Minister-designate to La Paz would not now take up his post.

Available information indicated that the overthrow of the Bolivian Government which signed the United Nations' declaration was due to the activities of subversive groups hostile to the cause of the United Nations.

External Trade Figures

Eire's external trade in 1943—imports and exports — shows a remarkable drop as compared with the previous year. Imports fell by £8,527,000 and exports by £5,188,979. That is, the total external trade fell altogether by £13,716,039. Exports exceeded imports by £1,374,560. The figures for these in the twelve months of 1943 were:—

Imports £26,102,904
Exports £27,477,464

The corresponding figures for 1942 were:—

Imports £34,630,054
Exports £32,666,343

In the month of December last, for which the figures are now available, the value of live animals exported showed a considerable fall as compared with December of 1942. The figures were:—

Live animals exported in December, 1943 ..... £689,256
Live animals exported in December, 1942 ..... £1,193,863

Russians Regain Rail Lines Around Leningrad

WITH their only westward railway cut, the German forces at Krasnogvardeisk are isolated, Reuter's Correspondent cables from Moscow.

Tosno, 27 miles further east, is also menaced by a semi-circle of Russian forces.

Soviet troops, who already hold about a dozen miles of the Narva railway west of Krasnogvardeisk, established a firm hedgehog position on its southern side, from which they are now pushing out to enfilade the German fortifications from two sides, this correspondent states. Other forces are moving westward along its north side, and their guns are duelling with the German batteries across the line.

The Germans, offering stiff resistance along the stretch of track still in their hands, are putting in reinforcements on a very large scale.

Most of the dense network of railway lines concentrated within a 20-mile radius of Leningrad is now back in Soviet hands, and armoured trains, using subsidiary lines, are bringing troops from Leningrad almost up to the front line.

The approaches to Krasnogvardeisk and Tosno are defended by blockhouses of exceptional strength, built of steel and concrete, with walls three feet thick. They house four machine-guns, and are stocked with enough food to enable their garrisons to hold out for several weeks if necessary.

PRIPET BATTLES

The German commentator, Colonel von Hammer, said last night that the Russians, after relieving battle-worn units by fresh reserves, have resumed their attempts to break through the wooded region of the Pripet Marshes in the direction of Bobruisk. Hard fighting on a broad front went on all day, he said. "The Russians repeatedly broke into the German main battle zone, but failed to exploit their initial successes."

Speaking of the fighting in the North, he said that between Lake Ilmen and Leningrad the Russians pressed back the German lines at various points for several miles. "Fighting was particularly heavy north of Krasnogvardeisk and the defence forces were finally pushed back to the northern outskirts of the town itself." He said also that "in the breach north of Kerch fighting has reached a new peak of violence. The Russians have brought several fresh units across the Straits, and their attacks were supported by numerous Stormoviks. The Russian attacks were aimed at pushing through the German bolt position and capturing the harbour and town."

Colonel Von Hammer also said that, in violent battles north of Kirovograd, the Russians broke into the German defence lines to some considerable depth and width, and occupied the locality of Burtki, but during the afternoon were thrown out.

The Soviet communiqué stated that S.W. and south of Pushkin the Soviet offensive was developed, and places taken, while "our troops have closed in on Gatchina (Krasnogvardeisk) and fighting is now proceeding in the suburbs of that city."

West and S.W. of Kirichi strong fortifications and a number of inhabited localities were occupied, while advanced troops closed in on the Chudovo-Tosno railway. A number of places were taken N.W., west and S.W. of Novgorod, while east of Vinnitsa and north of Khristinovka counter-attacks were repelled.

"Orange Terror" Causes Stir in Northern Senate

The action of the Minister of Home Affairs in banning a pamphlet, entitled "Orange Terror," was the subject of a lively debate in the Northern Ireland Senate yesterday. Nationalist members contended that no attempt had been made to contradict any of the statements made in the pamphlet, which Senator Sir Joseph Davison, Grand Master of the Orange Institution, declared was full of misrepresentations.

Senator McLaughlin (Nationalist) asked the Leader of the House why the publication had been suppressed, and whether thousands of copies had been sold to all classes in Great Britain. The pamphlet, he said, was published by a religious Order that commanded the respect of all Irishmen, an Order that would not print anything which could not be verified.

Senator Browne (Unionist) asked if the Leader of the House considered that during a terrible war a pamphlet which was intended to create ill-will should be circulated in Northern Ireland. He asserted that it contained a libel on a worthy and honourable institution.

Senator Joseph Cunningham (Unionist) said that the pamphlet should be allowed to circulate freely, so that the people could understand the false impressions that were given about them abroad, and deal with them.

Sir Claud Nugent said that if these publications were allowed to circulate, they would take their place in the mass of propaganda literature which appeared in these times, and the public would be able to judge the way in which to accept it.

Mr. McAlister (Nationalist) said he had no hesitation in saying that practically the entire book was made up from official reports, contributed by men who had spent some time and energy trying to preserve peace. Its suppression was an attempt to prevent visitors to the North from ascertaining the true position of the minority.

Professor Corkey, leader of the House, said that the publication in its entirety was definitely considered prejudicial to the preservation of the peace. If the book were issued for propaganda purposes it was a poor effort, and it would be beneath the dignity of anyone to reply to the articles it contained. He had no knowledge of the sales of the book in Britain.

Sir Joseph Davison said that some writers advocated the use of force to end partition. That was really the object for which the book had been published—the thing for which their opponents were working all the time, in an attempt to break the power and influence of the Orange Institution.

Invasion Of Balkans Expected

A GERMAN Overseas News Agency correspondent stated to-day, says Reuter: "In view of the present war situation in southern Italy, the German Command expects that the Anglo-Americans will extend their operations and risk a jump across the Adriatic."

A high German officer, he added, has just completed an inspection of the defences of the eastern Adriatic coast on the orders of Von Weichs, the German Balkans Commander-in-Chief.

Allied heavy bombers yesterday attacked the railway yards at Skolpije, important junction in Southern Yugoslavia. Other formations bombed the railway yards at Vrattsa, near Sofia.

No Election, Says Minister

"THERE is no immediate prospect of a general election," said Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Justice, at a Fianna Fail meeting in Boyle, Co. Roscommon.

Many people believed that the results of the last election had shown Fianna Fail to be on the decline, but the real reason the party had not obtained an overall majority was because they were over-confident and not properly organised. Fianna Fail was now in as sound a position in the country as at the 1938 election.

Bacon Curing Charges in Law Courts

The period last year when bacon was so scarce that a morning rasher was not obtainable, even in the best hotels, will be recalled in the Courts shortly, when some twenty summonses will be brought in respect of the alleged illegal curing and sale of bacon.

This is a sequel to the drive by the Pigs and Bacon Commission against illegal curers whose activities were held to be a danger to public health. Since that time, however, and although bacon still is a prohibitive commodity for poorer people, the supplies have appreciably improved, and the demands of retailers are being almost fully met. With the pig population still only about quarter of what it used to be—the killings for bacon production last year totalled 224,643, compared with 827,677 in 1931—and the market far from stabilised, the ruling prices being 35s. to 45s. above the 125s. fixed minimum, a further period of light supplies is anticipated; but, taking the long view, the fact that from 800 to 1,000 cwts. of offals now are being made available weekly is almost certain to have desirable results in the shape of more pigs and a decline in prices.

Rome Curfew.—A curfew lasting from 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. has been imposed in Rome, owing to acts of sabotage, Rome Radio announced last night.—(Reuter.)

Wool Control Welcomed By Trade

A CONTROL of wool that will mean fixed prices to the farmer and a fixed margin of profit to the trade, was spoken of by Mr. L. H. Wing, president of the Irish Wool Federation, at the annual dinner in the Clarence Hotel, Dublin, last night.

Proposing the toast of the Federation, Alderman A. Byrne, T.D., said that he understood that their trade, including prices and distribution, very shortly was coming under control, which, he thought, was good. He understood that it was only goods which could not be used to the fullest advantage that would be allowed to be exported, and it was their duty, assisted by the Government, to see that the home market first was secured.

Anything they and they ought to share with their neighbours, because their neighbours at times of great difficulty had shared their supplies with them; but, while he hoped that good feeling would continue to exist, their first duty was to their own people. Sooner or later a blizzard of industrial depression would attack this country after the emergency, and he wondered were they prepared to face it.

LOOKING AHEAD

He did not think they were making sufficient preparation for the future, and it was to the farmers that they were looking for easement of the position, and for taking back to the land those who were earning their living in industrial occupations in England.

Responding, the President said that control of the trade would mean fixed prices to the farmer and a fixed margin of profit to the trade. There was no doubt that it had become necessary. Prices in Eire stood at over double those prevailing in the countries with whom they traded in peace-time. Should the conflict in Europe end suddenly there would have to be a substantial drop in home prices to come into line with those in other countries.

They realised the difficulties that would be encountered when they had to open up the old trade channels after the war. They knew that no individual firm or no individual association or federation would be strong enough to surmount those difficulties. Only a strong Government control scheme, with the full support and co-operation of every branch of the trade, would be able to do that successfully for them.

Sugar Registration

From Saturday next the page in the ration book applicable to sugar will be 20, lettered P. In order to obtain supplies it will be necessary for householders to register each member of the household again with their retailers.

LATE NEWS

Argentina and the Axis

General Gilbert, Argentine Foreign Minister, last night issued a communiqué to Foreign Diplomats stating that his Government has decided to break off relations with the Axis.

A Buenos Aires message later said that a high Government source emphatically denied a report that President Ramirez had signed a decree breaking off relations.—(Reuter and A.P.)

Cassino Taken

Reuter's Special Correspondent at Allied H.Q., in a cable this morning, stated that American Fifth Army patrols had entered the town of Cassino. This may indicate the beginning of a German withdrawal from the southern front.—(Reuter.)



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British Can Field A Powerful Rugby XV.

By Our Rugby Football Correspondent

THE match between the Irish and British fifteens in Belfast on February 12th will be the third war-time Rugby international; even though the home players hardly will be rated as internationals in future record books, they have worked as hard for places on these teams as any men in pre-war seasons. The visitors have been successful in the two matches played so far, the results being 8-6 in 1941-2 and 12-11 last season.



A. J. RISMAN.

One advantage they have had over the Irishmen is the frequency with which they have played together, almost as a club team. This is not so much the case now, but these Englishmen are tremendously fit—as is shown by the number of old internationals maintaining their form—and they are getting a great deal of top-class Rugby in England, Scotland and Wales.

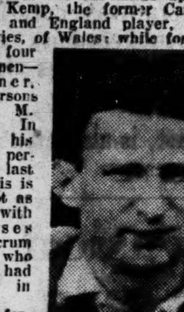
With amateur and professional Rugby players taking the field as team-mates under amateur rules since the outbreak of war, the Irish XV. has had to face formidable opposition. On the British team for the first match in 1942 were two of the most famous centre three-quarters in the Rugby League game, A. J. Risman and J. Brogden, and other professional international players were Syd Williams on the right wing and O. Morris at out-half, and G. Williams, of Wales, in the pack. The majority of the others were Rugby Union internationals.

Last season the team was composed almost entirely of Rugby Union players but an important exception was Trevor Foster, an English Rugby League star, and one of the finest wing forwards I have ever seen. We were just about deservedly beaten in 1942, but only an amazing display by J. Ellis, the English scrum-half, brought the visitors through last season.

RISMAN'S RETURN.

This season the British resources seem to be considerable. Risman, who was abroad last year, is now available again, and we may see this brilliant runner at Ravenhill next month. He presented a problem to the Irish defenders in 1942 but they marked him very closely. Then there is J. Lawrenson, another Rugby League "star," in the centre, who has been the outstanding back in the big games so far. On the wings are Syd Williams and yet another fine League man in R. L. Francis; while, in addition to these, are top-class men in C. Evans and A. Edwards.

The pick of the out-halves appear to be T. A. Kemp, the former Cambridge University and England player, and W. T. H. Davies, of Wales; while for scrum half are four first-class men—H. Tanner, Ellis, J. Parsons and C. S. M. Stephens. In spite of his wonderful performance last season, Ellis is possibly not as accurate with long passes from the scrum as Tanner, who seldom has had a superior in that art.



H. TANNER.

Good forwards are in abundance. Familiar names like those of R. J. Longland, G. T. Dancer, A. M. Rees and J. Mycock comes to mind immediately, and there are numerous others, including Dominion players, who may be in the running for the Belfast game. Of course, with such a wide choice, the British selectors may have some "dark horses," so to speak; but it is likely that a number of those I have mentioned will be in opposition to the Irishmen on February 12.

G.A.A. Rulers and The "Ban"

BY PAT'O

WHETHER on the agenda of motions or not, "the ban" seems to crop up at current county conventions. The administration of the ban rules and their infringement have concerned many delegates. A motion at the Derry county convention called for the abolition of the rule debarring members of the G.A.A. from attending banned games. There was another vigorous discussion for and against; the motion was lost by 13 votes to 22, but it was clear that a substantial minority favour the open door policy.

In rural areas the rules do not arise; Gaelic games have little or no rivals. The position in the towns and cities is different; the removal of ban rules would mean a big influx of players in Dublin, Cork, Limerick, Galway and Sligo.

My own conviction is that we shall have no relaxation of the rules at present. Some G.A.A. administrators fear that the removal of the ban would bring cleavage in the ranks of some clubs, as well as strong recruitment to other games. Officials in high circles believe that the ban rules will not pass until there is legislative unity in the nine Ulster counties. An open discussion is not likely at the forthcoming Easter Congress, unless some county shows a majority in favour of the open door. There may be discussion on the laxity of observance in specified areas.

The Dublin County Board have decided to confine their selection for the forthcoming hurling game between Dublin and Cork (February 6 at Croke Park) to players declaring for Dublin. Cork have nominated their side, including John Lynch, now resident in Dublin and playing for Civil Service in both hurling and football.

SNOOKER

In the Irish amateur snooker championship, at the Burroughs and Watts Hall, Dublin, last night, P. Joyce (Clifden) beat H. T. Bates (Belfast)—69-32, 54-31, 41-62, 64-50, and H. Johnston (Dublin) beat S. Brooks (Belfast)—55-42, 67-41, 55-27.

TO-DAY'S SOCCER

Colleges' League—Veterinary College v. U.C.D., Beaver Row, 3.30.

The Collingwood Cup match has been fixed for February 12th.

A COURSING COMPLAINT

By MASTER M'GRATH.

ONE often hears complaints from owners that it now is scarcely worth while entering for the all-aged ("open") stakes at the less important of the meetings. They remind you that, in addition to the entry fee, there is the increased cost of transit, plus increased hotel charges, and the cost of feeding-stuffs, to say nothing of the difficulty of procuring them. Still, there has been no addition to the stake money, which follows on the stereotyped lines of fifty years ago, with the result that, when an owner has the good fortune to get to the end of an "open" stake he has nothing to spare after paying his expenses. In fact, the stake money often is reduced considerably by the failure of the stake to attract the requisite sixteen. He thus finds himself out of pocket, his only recompense being the doubtful honour of having won a mediocre event.

The consequence is that these expensive 16-dog stakes have but little interest for owners. The clubs, however, have their excuse for not adding to the money—the higher cost of hares, wiring, labour, etc.; but owners really have a solid grievance, and the only way to remedy it is by increasing the stake money and, if necessary, making those who attend the meetings pay a little more for their amusement. The owners provide the sport, not the public; without the owners there would be no coursing.

TABLE TENNIS

Hard-hitting Miss E. Mantle qualified for the final of both the women's singles and doubles of the Co. Dublin Junior Table Tennis Championships when, at the O'Connell Hall last night in her semi-final of the former event, she easily disposed of Miss E. Hanna, and in the women's doubles, in partnership with Miss P. Salisbury she beat Mrs. Amoroso and Mrs. McKay. Results:—

Women's Singles—Semi-finals—Miss E. Mantle beat Miss E. Hanna—21-8 21-7; Miss E. Hudson beat Miss M. Maybury—15-21, 21-17, 21-12.

Women's Doubles—Semi-final—Misses E. Mantle and P. Salisbury beat Mrs. Amoroso and Mrs. McKay—21-9 21-15.

Mixed Doubles—Third Round — R. Lyons and Miss Notley beat A. Hackett and Miss Rush—21-17, 24-22; W. Lanigan and Miss Johnson beat W. Connor and Miss E. Mantle—21-18, 21-17. Semi-final—R. Lyons and Miss Notley beat W. Lanigan and Miss Johnson—22-20, 21-18.

To-night — 6.30—All competitors in men's doubles. 9.0—J. Coady and Miss Row; J. Colby and Miss Kehoe.

LEINSTER BRANCH GOLF FIXTURES

The senior and junior tournaments this year are to be played under the same conditions—five players from each club, with the aggregate of the best three for 18 holes to count. The senior competition will be held at Milltown on May 9th, and the junior at Hermitage on May 15th.

The secretaries' meeting suggested this arrangement, and it has been approved by the Leinster Branch. Not more than five entries will be accepted from a club, but clubs that may not have five players available may enter three.

July 3rd is the date for the John Lumsden Memorial Cup, to be played for at Grange. For Class I., the handicap has been extended to 5; the limit for Class II. remains at 9.

Arrangements for the Provincial Towns Cup have not been completed, but it is hoped to hold it in sections and to have the final on a Dublin course on June 14th.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

Killiney.—Ladies—Officers for 1944—Captain, Miss Kingston; hon. sec., Miss E. Dalton. Friday—Sweep, 9 holes stroke; draws 10.15, 2.0, 2.30, 3.0. Sweep—I—Mrs. Hart (8), 47; II—Mrs. Chapman (18), 43.

Island.—Ladies' Foursomes fixed for to-day postponed. February 2nd, medal, strokes.

Foxrock. — Saturday — Mr. P. J. Kiely's prize, Stableford.

Lucan.—Ladies—Captain's v. Secretary's team—N. McIntyre v. E. Victory, L. Sampson v. D. Tierney, V. Sampson v. E. Craig, K. McCarron v. E. O'Driscoll, Mrs. Sheehan v. L. McGillycuddy, Gilmartin v. Mrs. O'Toole, K. Cunningham v. McKinley, U. McKenna v. M. Cunningham, Goggin v. Glennon, M. Mehan v. M. O'Neill.

Friday G.S.—At Hermitage—Mr. A. O'Malley's prize—M. T. Brunton, 33 points.

Bray.—Saturday — Medal, 9 holes. Ladies — January medal postponed to 31st inst., 9 holes, strokes.

Clontarf (Ladies). — Medal: I—Mrs. Magill. II—Mrs. Giddings.

LEINSTER MOTOR CLUB

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Leinster Motor Club at the Royal Irish Automobile Club, the President, Mr. J. J. Sheil, was able to report that, although the past year had been one of enforced inactivity, the membership had increased during the period and was now almost up to pre-war strength; in fact, the club was again in the position of being able to claim to be numerically the strongest motor cycling organisation in Dublin. The following officers were elected:—President—J. J. Sheil; Hon. Sec.—E. P. Gill. Hon. Treas.—Commandant Stanley Woods. Assistant Hon. Sec.—W. Steele. Directors—The above, with Messrs. J. J. Irvine, J. J. Beggan, E. A. Maguire, S. T. Healy, R. E. Boyce, J. A. S. Moran, D. O'B. Gill, A. H. L. Archer, V. M. L. O'Reilly, N. Lepler, R. B. Eaton, R. B. S. Le Fanu.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

To-day—Naas, Caragh, 1.0 p.m.; South Westmeath, Mount Temple, 12 noon; Strabane, Gallony Gate, 1.0 p.m.; Mid Antrim, Ross Bridge, 12.30 p.m.; Bray, Delgany, 1.30 p.m.; North Kilkenny, Tullaroan, 11.30 a.m. (old time); Duhallow, Convamore, 11.0 a.m.; Meath, meet cancelled.

To-morrow—North Mayo, Bonniconlon, 12.30 p.m.; Wicklow, Togher, 12 noon; Killultagh, Old Rock and Chichester, Derraghglyn, Glenavy, 12 noon; Bree, Dranagh, 12.30 p.m.; East Galway, Gurtray, 12 noon; Island, Boolavogue, 12 noon; Co. Limerick, Kilmallock, 11.30 a.m.; West Waterford, Clashmore, 12 noon; Tara, Garlow Cross, 12 noon; Co. Longford, Brown's Cross-roads, 1.0 p.m.; Co. Clare, Latoon, 1.0 p.m.; Roscommon, Clashaganny 1.0 p.m.; Queen's Co., Fairymount, 11.30 a.m.; Limerick, Raheen Chapel Cross, 12 noon.

HOCKEY TEAM.

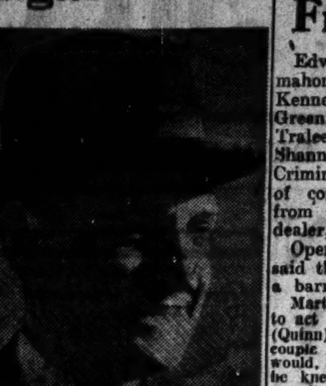
Three Rock Rovers (v. Air Corps)—J. B. Musgrave; R. Fitzgerald, G. Browne; L. Colhoun, F. E. Smyth, P. D. MacWeeney; C. N. Dagg, M. Mathews, J. V. Luce, J. Apthorp, B. Reeves-Smyth.

OTHER NEUTRALS

3—Portugal

IF the Taoiseach's secretary were ever hard pressed to compile a speech for his chief—that is assuming that he ever does compile speeches for his chief—he might do very much worse than lift a few passages from the English versions of Dr. Salazar's speeches issued occasionally by the Portuguese Government.

Here, for example, are two quotations from speeches he made last year. "How delightful," he said ironically, "is the position of a neutral, whose attitude is never fully understood, whose conduct is never found to be perfect, whose services are never recognised and whose impartiality is never sufficient. In the absorbing pre-occupation which causes the belligerents to see the world in the perspective of their victory, the neutral is almost non-existent, his rights are held only on tolerance, and for some excitable people the existence of neutrals is so incomprehensible that they resemble outcasts among magnificent warriors."



Dr. A. de Oliviera Salazar, Premier of Portugal.

Or take this reference to the supplies problem: "The entry of the United States into the war, the exhaustion of our reserve stocks, the increase in the cost of fuels and imported raw materials, the increase in purchasing power resulting from exceptional profits, the tide of fear which led to private hoarding, the disparity between prices here and in our neighbour country—all this has contributed to the increase in the cost of living."

Comparisons, Portugal and Eire (Portuguese figures given first)—Population, 7 millions, 3 millions; area, 35,000 square miles, 16,000 square miles; arable land, 13½ million acres, 12 million acres; pre-war Budget, £22 millions, £34 millions.

A reference to Portuguese official statistics will confirm the impression made by these quotations, namely, that there is some general resemblance between trends in Portugal and in Ireland. The cost of living index, for example, in both countries had increased by nearly the same percentage between 1939 and the middle of last year. On a basis of 100 for June, 1939, the Irish figure by that time had reached 159, and the Portuguese 153, these, with the figure for Hungary, being the three highest increases recorded in Europe.

BANKING

Other statistics of movements over the same period show that note circulation doubled in Portugal, while ours increased by one-half; our foreign assets doubled, while Portugal's increased by one-half; Portugal's bank deposits trebled, while ours increased by a third; and the index number of the prices of shares in a group of representative industrial companies increased by 12 per cent. in Ireland, as against 55 per cent. in Portugal.

These similiarities of trends exist in spite of a considerable difference in fundamental conditions. For example, Portugal has just about the same quantity of arable land to feed six million people as we have to feed three million. On the other hand, she has large colonies, many times the size of Portugal, which are valuable sources of raw materials. She had a pre-war merchant fleet of about 200,000 tons, where ours was only a few thousand tons. She also has in the home country a large forest area, and was, in comparison with us, a large producer of coal, wolfram and other minerals.

Reports from Lisbon during the year seem to show that, despite these resources in minerals and raw materials, the food situation has been worse than it has been here. There were times last year when such important foods as butter and potatoes could not be obtained in the towns. Queues for that essential of Mediterranean diet, olive oil, have been a common phenomenon of life in the capital. Meat of all kinds has been scarce and dear, and there have been numerous prosecutions for the illicit slaughter of cattle and pigs for sale outside the control system. Bread rationing was also announced towards the end of last year, but the date of its coming into operation was not fixed.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES

One of the important measures intended to ease the distress caused by high prices has been the setting up of a scheme of family allowances. Though the Portuguese Government a long time ago proclaimed the justice of such a scheme it was only about eighteen months ago it was introduced, and it was extended during last year to civil servants, who had not been included in it originally.

The system is different from ours in that it is organised on a basis with both employers and employees contributing; allowances are not at a uniform rate, but depend on which of five salary grades the head of the family is in. For ordinary purposes the age limit is 14, but it may be increased to 21 for children at school or at a university. Finally, the whole scheme costs the State about £600,000 per year, where ours costs £2¼ millions.

As a remedy for unemployment, the Government has continued the big £60,000,000 development plan drawn up in 1935, and originally intended to take about fifteen years to complete. According to a *Times* correspondent, writing a few months ago, work was going ahead in building, irrigation, afforestation, electric power schemes, telegraph extension, and the making of new roads and schools. Every week, said this correspondent, brings an announcement that some project has been completed.

That all Portugal's problems are not solved by these measures may be deduced from Dr. Salazar's thoughtful speeches, from which we will quote in conclusion. On the question of increases of wages to meet increases in the cost-of-living he has said that, while all flagrant inequalities must be remedied, the general situation was that increases in wages should be compensated for by increases in production, either by working longer hours or by improved industrial methods. Otherwise wage increases and price increases enter on a spiral. To work harder and better, he said, is the alternative to living under worse conditions.

On the general economic problem, he says:—"The Government is not irritated because poor folk who cannot obtain coal or olive oil complain of shortages or of time wasted in obtaining supplies. But the Government cannot excuse the people who are not in want of the necessaries of life and who grumble because they cannot obtain unessentials. Our proper attitude, in face of the immense desolation of the war, the millions of beings perishing of hunger, misery and sorrow, should not be vague sentiments of mere commiseration untouched by real concern, but rather plain living, renunciation and patience. We are not fighting, but we are in the war like the others."

Solicitors on Conspiracy and Fraud Charges

Edward Daly, solicitor, Ballymahon, Co. Longford; John J. Kennedy, solicitor, 118 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, and Thomas Powell, Tralee, appeared before Judge Shannon, in the Dublin Circuit Criminal Court yesterday, on charges of conspiracy and obtaining £100 from Martin F. Quinn, poultry dealer, by false pretences.

Opening the case, Mr. F. Sherry said that Powell held himself out as a barrister.

Martin Quinn said that Kennedy used to act as his solicitor. Daly asked him (Quinn) if he would be interested in a couple of tons of sugar. Quinn said he would, if it were not stolen. Daly said he knew a man who could get him a permit to get sugar—Powell was the name of this man, and he was supposed to be a barrister. The permits would cost £50 per ton, and the whole cost would be £90 a ton. Quinn was later introduced to Powell, who said he would sell him the permits and wanted to get the deal through quickly, but Quinn said he wanted to consult Kennedy.

Later Powell said he would have to give £50 to a Mr. O'Hanrahan, of the Sugar Company, for the permits, and the other £50 was for himself. Quinn gave £50 to Powell, and asked Kennedy to hold the other £50 until the deal was closed. This £50 was given to a publican to hold, and an agreement between Powell and Quinn was drawn up by Kennedy. Powell gave him an acknowledgment for the £50 handed to him (Powell). Quinn later got back the £50 from the publican. In January last Quinn met Kennedy, who said he had the agreement. Quinn told Kennedy that he had an appointment with Detective Officer Brady, and Kennedy said not to say anything and he (Kennedy) would not say anything. Daly had been staying with Quinn, and when he left, Quinn did not see him until he was in court.

To Mr. O'Moriarty (for Daly), Quinn said he had applied for a licence to deal in sugar, and would not have bought the two tons if he had not got the licence.

Timothy O'Hanrahan, Secretary of the Irish Sugar Company said that permits to buy sugar could be got only from the Department of Supplies. He had no dealings with Kennedy or Powell about sugar.

Daly, in evidence said that Powell told him he was dealing in sugar and could get permits through a Mr. O'Hanrahan. The price was £112 a ton. Daly met Quinn, whom he knew, in a public-house, and told him about the sugar at £112. Later they met Powell, and the following day Quinn told him that he had made a deal in sugar for £100 with Powell. Daly advised him not to pay over the money before getting the sugar. Daly also said that he did not know where the permits were to come from, and he believed that they would be delivered. He had never been offered any money in regard to this deal, and there was no agreement that money should be paid to him.

To Mr. Sherry, Daly said he was ten years qualified as a solicitor. He had had very little interest in the whole transaction.

IRISH WILLS

Mrs. Annie Frances Murphy (widow), Oaklands road, Bromley, Kent—£6,587 (Eire); Patrick Smith, Drumcarbon House, Crossdoney, Cavan—£5,047 (Eire); Miss Harriette Adelaide Woods, Glenbrien, Howth road, Dublin—£1,600 (Eire).

Mrs. Beatrice Virginia Louisa Tollemache (or Beatrix) Skeffington-Smyth, of 39 Curzon street, London, daughter of the late Col. the Right Hon. Edward Taylor, M.P. for Co. Dublin—£13,327 (Britain).

COMPANY MEETING.

BANK OF IRELAND'S RECORD DEPOSITS

Increases Not Due to Real Gain in Wealth

NEW records in the history of the Bank of Ireland were announced by Mr. William Claude Odlum, Governor, presiding at the annual meeting of the General Court of Proprietors in the Bank of Ireland, College Green, Dublin, yesterday, when a final dividend of 7 per cent. (which, with an interim dividend of 5¼ per cent. in July last, makes a total for the year of 12¼ per cent.) was passed.

Commenting on an increase of about £16 millions in the Legal Tender Note circulation in the last four years, and a large advance in bank deposits and credit balances, Mr. Odlum said that they appeared to point to even greater inflationary trends than those which made their appearance during and after the last war.

Proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Governor said:—

My Lords and Gentlemen—The report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, and I assume you will take them as read. I trust that the results of the year's working will be regarded as satisfactory, and that you will approve the recommendations of your Board for the distribution of profits. No doubt, you will have observed that somewhat better results were experienced, the net profit being over £3,000 higher than that of the previous year. The total assets at £64 million are nearly £4 million greater than at the end of 1942, and constitute a fresh record in the history of the Bank.

Taking the liabilities side of the balance sheet, I would first refer to notes and post bills in circulation, which have fallen by approximately £1 million, due mainly to reduced circulation in Northern Ireland, and withdrawal of consolidated bank notes under the provisions of the Central Bank Act, which provide for the gradual extinction of these notes over a period of twelve years from the passing of the Act in November, 1942.

Deposit, current and other accounts, at the amount shown in the balance sheet, are up by over £3¾ millions, and represent the highest figure ever reached in the 160 years of the Bank's existence. It is satisfactory to note that the increase in deposits at branches is spread over all categories, thus repeating the experience of the previous year and those immediately preceding it, and indicating a continuance of improved conditions amongst the farming community. Credit balances on current accounts have also contributed to the general increase, more especially in the case of branches.

COMPARISON WITH LAST WAR

Comparing the current figures with those which obtained during the period of the last Great War, it is found that deposit, current and other accounts increased by £6,414,000 during the four years ending December, 1918, whereas during the four years ended December last the increase amounted to no less than £13,737,000, or more than double the rise in the earlier period mentioned. On the other hand, however, the bank's note circulation increased by £11,202,000 in that earlier period, against a rise of only £1,865,000 in the later four years. In effect, the experience of the last war tends largely towards repetition, as the increase of approximately £18¼ million in the bank's total assets during the first four years of the Great War, has been almost paralleled in the comparable period of the present emergency.

It should, however, be borne in mind that the Eire legal tender note circulation, which in the main has replaced the note issues of the banks, has risen during the last four years by about £16,000,000, and this, taken in conjunction with the large increase in bank deposits and credit balances, would appear to point to even greater inflationary trends than those which made their appearance during and after the last war.

CAUSE OF INCREASE

Speaking generally, it is certain that much of the increase in deposits and credit balances is due to conditions imposed by the emergency rather than a real gain in wealth, and merely represents a transfer from stocks into money. No doubt, the process will be reversed when trade revives and opportunities present themselves for useful employment of funds.

On the assets side, cash and money at call and short notice amount together to £11,320,000, or about £100,000 less than at the close of the previous year. The total represents 19.6 per cent. of direct liabilities to the public; taken in conjunction with investments, the proportion equals 77.9 per cent. The cash percentage, which is a few points below the ratio maintained in recent years, is necessarily still much in excess of requirements in more normal circumstances, and, of course, exercises a depressing effect upon our earnings.

Investments are up by over £5 million, the increase being accounted for by the expansion in resources already mentioned, and the net decline in advances. Under the heading of advances to customers, bills discounted, etc., the figure shown in the present balance sheet is some £1,460,000 less than in the previous statement, but last year's figure contained some large items which proved of a passing nature, and the actual net fall is much less than indicated by current figures. The decline also includes repayment of some large municipal mortgage loans which have been funded, and the liquidation of accommodation granted to customers for the purpose of financing stocks of commodities which have gone into consumption and cannot be replaced.

THE FARMERS' LOT

The undoubted improvement in the lot of those who follow agricultural occupations is also noticeable under the heading of advances, it being our experience that during the year which has closed farms have changed hands at enhanced prices, and farmer borrowers have given marked attention to their commitments. I may say, too, that the Bank has made numerous fresh, well secured advances against lands; and no reasonable application from farmers for accommodation has, to my knowledge, been declined.

The remaining items do not call for any special comment. In regard to the profit and loss account, our net profit, after providing fully for bad and doubtful debts, not already provided for, interest on deposits, rebate, pensions, etc., appears at a total of £329,392, showing an increase of £3,696 when compared with the previous year. This profit, with the amount brought in, gives a total of £486,780 to be dealt with. Of this sum £100,000 has been transferred to reserves for contingencies, and your directors recommend payment of a final dividend at the rate of 7 per cent., less income tax, payable on 1st February, which, with the interim dividend of 5¼ per cent., less income tax, paid on 3rd August last, makes a total distribution for the full year amounting to 12¼ per cent., less income tax, leaving a surplus of £170,434 to be carried forward to the current year.

In common with all business concerns, we find little relief in the upward trend of working expenses; taxation is at a high level, economies are difficult to secure, except by sacrificing that efficiency which our customers are entitled to expect, and which it is our aim to provide, and earning rates on call money continue to be merely nominal. I fear there is little prospect of the banking system being able to meet the persistent and widespread demands for lower borrowing rates.

I think I have said all that is necessary in connection with the accounts. Before touching upon more general matters I would like to mention that our subsidiary, the National City Bank, continues to make gratifying progress, and has proved to be a sound and profitable investment for this Bank. I am also pleased to be able to report a marked increase in the business of the Executor and Trustee Department, testifying to the ever-growing popularity of the services which are offered. Our Foreign Exchange and Income Tax Recovery Departments have also had a satisfactory year.

CENTRAL BANK

A noteworthy event in the history of banking in this country was the establishment, on 1st February last, of the new Central Bank of Ireland, which assumed the functions of the former Currency Commission, with various extensions and modifications detailed in the Central Bank Act. Mr. Joseph Brennan, Chairman of the Currency Commission, was elected first Governor of the Bank, and our colleague and Deputy Governor, Lord Glenavy, was honoured by being appointed as one of the first banking directors selected by the Minister for Finance from a panel of six submitted by representatives of the Associated Banks.

In Northern Ireland our business has been well maintained. Farmers had another successful year, the flax crop, to which a greatly increased acreage was devoted, realising very remunerative prices. In industry, active conditions continued, supplemented by extensive war effort, and unemployment was the lowest for years. Factories and shipyards have been busy with orders for Government account, and increased spending power was evidenced by the large volume of money in circulation.

NORTH AND SOUTH

Farmers, both North and South, are to be commended for the way they have helped to increase supplies of foodstuffs during the emergency of the past four years. No doubt they can be relied upon to continue their exertions in the national interest as it has recently been stated officially that conditions during the next few years are likely to prove far more difficult than those already experienced. A world shortage is anticipated and possibly a long period during which imports of foodstuffs will diminish and the country will be thrown back further on its own resources to feed the population. A serious feature of the situation is that the land undoubtedly has suffered during the past four years from lack of artificial and farmyard manure, and the nation has been living on the stored up fertility of the soil, or, in other words, on its reserve.

We all sincerely hope that this year 1944 will see the end of hostilities, and we trust that post-war planning will be well co-ordinated and not prove of such a nature as seriously to impede private enterprise upon which our present prosperity has been built. Agriculture and industry will, of course, require Government assistance, but this, as far as possible, should be of a positive nature rather than a continuance of restrictions which have been necessary during the emergency period.

THANKS TO STAFF

I cannot close without an expression of sincere thanks to my colleagues on the Board, all members of the staff, and particularly those senior officials with whom I am in daily contact, for their whole-hearted support throughout the year.

The proposal was seconded by the Deputy-Governor, Lord Glenavy, and adopted unanimously.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Lord Glenavy, a resolution declaring the final dividend was also passed.

The attendance of Directors included Messrs. Wm. Percy Ganly, the Earl of Granard, Hugh Arthur Henry, Sir John Keane, Bart.; Francis Cyril Martin, Thos. Shannon Martin, Henry James Millar and George Hill Tulloch.

"Spider Gang" Wants Money

"I Want Money: Remember the Spider," and "Remember us the Spider Gang," were inscriptions found chalked up on one of the office doors of the Underwear Clothing Factory, Rathfarnham, after the premises had been broken into and a safe stolen. The safe was later found in the yard of the factory with the back broken off.

Yesterday, in the Dublin District Courts, Christopher Mitchell (22), Clonard road, Crumlin; William Laverty (22) and Hubert Kiernan (22), both of no fixed address, were again remanded, charged with breaking into the premises, as well as into other concerns in the Harold's Cross, Rathmines, and Terenure districts, including the Stella and Classic Cinemas, and stealing cash and property totalling over £600 in value. From the Sub-Post Office, Harold's Cross road, they took a safe containing savings certificates, postal orders, stamps, and vouchers of a total value of £426, the property of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs.

Decrease in Butter Stocks

There were 127,366 cwt. of butter in all public cold stores in Eire on January 15 last, compared with 149,912 cwt. a fortnight earlier—a decrease of 22,215 cwt.

From January 1st to 15th the production of creamery butter was approximately 2,928 cwt. Public cold stores received 59 cwt., and withdrawals amounted to 17,567 cwt., leaving a net movement of 17,508 cwt. of creamery butter out of public cold stores.

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Irish Auctioneers' Council Meeting

Mr. Alexander Haslett, the President, occupied the chair at a meeting in Dublin of the Council of the Irish Auctioneers' Association. It was decided to hold the annual meeting and dinner at the Clarence Hotel, Dublin, on March 8th.

The following were elected to membership:—F. T. McMullan (McMullan Bros.), Rathmines; J. R. Megahey, Elton Park House, Sandycove; G. W. Greene, P.C. (Hazley and Co.), Blackrock; D. Allen, T.D. (Allen and Kenny), Gorey; M. O'Reilly (M. O'Reilly and Co.), Ballyragget; E. McGettrick (McGettrick, Rogers and McGettrick), Ballymote; D. Condren (Daniel Condren and Sons), Arklow; J. Higgins (Higgins and Co.), Dun Laoghaire; C. Hogan, Croom.

Captain W. Molony, Messrs. E. J. Archbold and D. P. Hoey were appointed to act as scrutineers to deal with the examination of ballot papers in connection with election of officers to the Council for 1944.

The appointment of three members to the Standing Committee for the filling of casual vacancies in Seanad Eireann was dealt with, and the following were reappointed:—Messrs. A. Haslett, R. V. Judd, Albert MacArthur.

Those present at the meeting were:—Messrs. W. S. Corry (Archbold, Corry and O'Connor) Dublin, Vice-President; E. J. Archbold (do.), Dublin; M. Conlon (Conlon and Co.), Dublin; W. J. Heron, P.C., Dublin; D. P. Hoey (Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd.), Dublin; F. J. Holden (W. J. Holden and Son), Dublin; W. H. Jordan (Robert B. Daly and Son, Ltd.), Drogheda; H. Lisney, F.S.I. (Harry Lisney and Son), Dublin; Capt. Willington Molony, F.A.I., F.S.I., (James Adam and Sons), Dublin; W. Roe (Peter Roe and Son), Roscrea. The law agent, Mr. R. Greene, also attended.

NAAS RACES,

SATURDAY, MARCH 4th, 1944.

The following Races Close to-day (WEDNESDAY), JANUARY 26th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin:—

THE ROBERTSTOWN PLATE of 100 sovs. Handicap hurdle. Two miles.

THE OSBERSTOWN PLATE of 100 sovs. Handicap steeplechase. Three miles.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE of 100 sovs. Handicap steeplechase. Two miles.

THE SALLINS HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Steeplechase for certified hunters. Three miles.

THE HALVERSTOWN PLATE of 100 sovs. Maiden flat race. Two miles.

THE KILCULLEN PLATE of 200 sovs. Maiden hurdle. One and a half miles. —(Advt.)

Imperial Tobacco Surprise

Hopes for an increase in the Imperial Tobacco dividend were disappointed yesterday. The final payment is to be the same as last year, 7½ per cent., with a bonus of 2½ per cent., making, with the interim of 7½ per cent. paid in July, a total of 17½ per cent. for the year, all free of tax.

The hopes were engendered by the experience of Carreras, Ltd., and the British-American Tobacco Co., both of which enjoyed larger profits and increased their dividends.

The Imperial Tobacco Co. increased its profits, but not quite so substantially in proportion to capital as its two contemporaries. The profit figure was £8,093,710, compared with £7,960,338 in the previous year. From this £500,000 is again appropriated to the reserve, the same as in each of the four previous years, and, after providing for the dividends, £1,869,000 is carried forward, against £1,701,032 brought in.

Taxation has, no doubt, again been heavy, but, as in previous years, no information regarding the amount is given, the profit being struck after the necessary provision has been made.

An interesting fact is that the upward movement in profits is the first change from the downward progress since the record total of £10,750,609 was recorded for 1937.

The quotation for the £1 Stock units, of which there are 37,563,049 in issue, reacted to 7¾ on the announcement—a loss of 2/6 on the day.

Woolworth Profits Fall

Disappointment was the lot of the "bears" who had been operating on the belief that the Woolworth dividend would be further cut. The interim payment, it will be remembered, was halved, and there were fears that something similar might happen to the final dividend. This, however, is not the case. The final dividend, payable on March 1, is to be 1/6 per 5/- unit, the same as last year, making a total of 40 p.c. for the year, against 50 p.c. last year.

The price of the shares had fallen to 56/6, but on the announcement fresh buyers came forward, and this, combined with some "bear" covering, sent the price up to 58/-.

The profit figure at £5,203,654, or £491,167 less than in the previous year, indicates that the cut in the interim dividend was justified. To some extent it was counter-balanced by a lower tax liability at £3,037,584, or £258,241 less than last year. The net result is that there is £7,232,840 carried forward, against £7,076,781 brought in.

Company's London Hotels Destroyed

R. E. Jones, the South Wales catering company, which owns the Piccadilly Hotel in London, increased its trading profits last year from £43,445 to £60,168. The company owns hotels in Cardiff and Swansea. It also owned four London hotels in addition to the Piccadilly, but they have been destroyed since the war began.

In this connection the directors say that there is no possibility of the company receiving from the War Damage Commission sums sufficient to rebuild the destroyed properties, while the inevitable impoverishment of Britain after the war may make the raising of outside capital impossible. Therefore, the company will have to rely on its own resources, and for this reason, notwithstanding the revenue position, no dividend is recommended.

Thus the balance at profit and loss carried forward is increased from £13,917 to £24,430. The issued capital is £778,994, all in 10/- Ord. shares, quoted at 8/-.

Springs Better Year

Trading profit of Springs, Ltd., for the year to October 31st, 1943, amounted to £1,757, compared with £1,470 for the previous year.

It is proposed to pay the Preference dividend for one year and a half to March 31st, 1939, and write a further £500 off the expenditure under technical advice agreement, leaving £395 to be carried forward, against £284 brought in. The meeting will be held on February 2nd.

Mr. M. Arnet Robinson, director and general manager of Coast Lines, Ltd., has joined the Board of the Belfast Steamship Company.

Further Big Rises in G.S.R. Issues

PUBLIC interest was on a smaller scale on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and markets presented a quieter appearance. Chief attention was paid to Home Rails, which displayed renewed strength on active and substantial support. Irish Industrials were not nearly so busy, but the tone was steady to firm.

There was strong support for Great Southern Rails. The Ord. spurted 4 points to 50 and the Pref. 1½ points to 49½. The Guar. closed 1¼ points higher at 72½, but the Deb. shed a fraction at 89¾.

Great Northern issues, too, continued in favour. The Ord. held 26½, the Pref. advanced to 45½ and the Gtd. hardened to 63¾. Dublin Transport Ord. rose to 25/3 and the Pref. repeated 25/1½.

Home Government Funds showed little life. Agreement Loan improved to 110¼, but Exchequer Bonds eased to 110¼. British Funds were well maintained.

Guinness units, on fresh buying, made headway to 127/-, and Cairnes Pref. moved up to 24/-. Alliance Gas Ord. strengthened to 23/-.

MCBIRNEY'S SOAR

Busy conditions prevailed in Draperies. McBirney Ord. fetched 1/6 higher at 10/-. Pim Bros. issues came in sellers. The Ord. relapsed 3/- to 12/- and the Preference declined to 64/6.

Irish Industrials were generally buyers. A. Armstrong Pref. hardened to 10/6, Bovril Pref. to 20/6 and Carroll Pref. to 29/6. E. and J. Burke Pref. advanced several pence to 9/9, but Clondalkin Paper Ord. eased to 6/6. Solus "A" Ord. tended higher to 45/9.

The market was disappointed with the Imperial Tobacco Co. dividend of 17½ per cent. which is the same as a year ago. In view of the increase in the B.A.T. dividend some days ago, most people had been hoping for a bigger distribution from "Imps." The Ord. relapsed 4/6 to 155/3, but B.A.T. Ord. held 109/9. Coats Ord. rose to 46/9 and Imperial Chemical Ord. to 38/4½, while Lever Bros. Ord. quoted 37/-.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid. (Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.—3 p.c. Second National Loan (under £200) (115½), 114¾; 4½ p.c. Third Loan (112½), 112½; 3¼ p.c. Financial Agreement (110½), *110¾; 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (110½), 110¼; 3¼ p.c. National Security (106), 106; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (116¼), *116¼, ¼; do. New (under £200) (113), 113; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (under £200) (107½), 107½; 2½ p.c. Consols (79⅝), *79⅝; 3½ p.c. War Loan (103¾) 103¾.

CORPORATION STOCKS. — Dublin 3½ p.c. 1963-83 (101), 101; Rathmines and Rathgar 3½ p.c. (101), 102b.

BREWERIES.—Cairnes Pref. (23/6), 24/-; Guinness Ord. (126/6), 126/3, 7/-.

RAILS, ETC.—Belfast and Co. Down 4 p.c. Deb., *66$\frac{5}{16}$; Great Northern Ord. (26⅞), 26⅞, ⅞; do. Pref. (45), 45½, ¾, ¾; do. Guaranteed (63⅝), *63¾; Great Southern Ord. (46), *48, 9, 9½, *50; do. Pref. (47¾), 48, 8½, 9, 50, *49½; do. Guaranteed (71¼), 72, 2, 2¼, *1½, -2¼, 2½; do. Deb. (89¾), 89⅝; Dublin Transport Ord. (25/1½), 25/3; do. Pref. (25/1½), 25/1½.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.—Alliance Gas Ord. (22/6), 22/7½, 2/9, 3/-; Armstrong (A.) Pref. (10/2), 10/6; Bovril Pref. (19/2), *20/6; Burke (E. and J.) Pref. (9/-), 9/9; Carroll Pref. (29/-), 29/6; Cement Ord. (44/-), 44/-, 44/-; Clondalkin Paper Ord. (6/7½), 6/6; Irish Cinema Ord. (5/-), 5/-; Irish Sugar Pref. (28/9), *28/9; McBirney Ord. (8/6), 9/6, 10/-; Pim Bros. Ord. (15/-), 12/-; do. Pref. (65/-), *64/6; Solus "A" Ord. (45/6), *45/9; Switzer Ord. (23/9) 23/9.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS. — B.A.T. (109/9) 109/9; Coats (J. and P.) (46/6), *46/9; Courtaulds (53/1½), 53/-b; Imperial Chemical (38/3), 38/4½; Imperial Tobacco (159/9), 159/-, 5/3; Lever Bros., 37/-.

Control of All Transport Suggested

All rail, road, canal and internal air transport should come under one central control. This was the solution put forward by Major-General Gilbert Szlumper, formerly manager of the Southern Railway for the after-war transport problems, in an address to the Engineering Association, in London yesterday.

Any return to the pre-war status of confused competition he regards as impossible. Nationalisation he thinks would be disastrous, for it would mean that "a horde of black-coated, striped-trousered young men full of theory, but without knowledge, would be playing at lorries and trains."

He suggests a National Transport Board, with a central executive dealing with major policy and regional executives dealing with transport. Revenues and expenditure of all forms of transport should be pooled, for "appropriate and efficient use of transport is only attainable if it is a matter of financial unconcern who actually carried the traffic."

Fixed interest-bearing stocks should be issued in exchange for present assets and stocks and shares, a minor portion of the total issue being remunerated by dividends fluctuating with the prosperity of the undertaking.

Gambling in Shares

"Have a few Deccas" has now been a slogan on the London Stock Exchange for some months, and the rise that has taken place in the shares recalls the days of booming markets, when anything was liable to happen. They have a nominal value of 1/- and have been over 22/-. Yesterday they reacted slightly. There is no doubt of the progress of the company since its capital was drastically reduced from £625,748 to £121,835 in 1939. Three dividends of 25 p.c. have been paid, while last year this was increased to 66⅔ p.c., earnings being equal to 209 p.c. on the £64,231 13/- of Ordinary capital.

The company makes gramophone records, and at the last meeting, in September, the Chairman said that it had "great potentialities" after the war. But whether that justifies the rise in value of the Ordinary capital from £64,231 13/- to over £1,445,000 is doubtful. Business in the shares is very much of the "in and out" character, and must be regarded as highly speculative.

Insurance Claim Dispute

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, in the High Court, Dublin, yesterday, in a special case stated, asking whether or not the Federated Employers' Insurance Association, Limited, were liable to indemnify Irish Steel Bolts, Limited, Upper Grand Canal street, Dublin (in liquidation), against a judgment for damages and costs in favour of an employee.

It appeared from the special case that Irish Steel Bolts, Limited, had a policy of insurance with the Association to be indemnified in respect of compensation payable to an employee who had been injured while in their employment, and that during the period of insurance an employee had his right hand crushed in a machine and had been awarded £1,750 damages in an action against them.

The Association repudiated all liability under the policy because the company, they said, had failed to comply with the terms of a condition of the policy in regard to the taking of proper precautions to prevent accidents. An action was brought by the company against the Association, claiming indemnity under the policy and damages for alleged breach of contract. The Association served notice to stay proceedings on the ground that the company had not complied with the clause of the policy which provided for the referring of differences between the Association and employers to an arbitrator. The Court stayed proceedings pending arbitration, and on the conclusion of the arbitration both parties requested the arbitrator to state a case for the opinion of the High Court.

The arbitrator stated that the question for decision was whether, in the circumstances which he set out, the Association could now successfully rely on the declaration on the proposal or the terms of the policy or the conditions already referred to, as an answer to the company's claim. If they could not, then he awarded that the Association should pay the company £1,589 17/- and £356 6/11, and, assuming that the costs were within his discretion, he awarded that the Association should pay the costs of the arbitration.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

BRITISH FUNDS.

Consols 2½%	79¼	79½		3½% Conversion	104⅞	105⅛
Do 4%	109½	109¾	-⅛	5% Conversion	101⅞	102⅝
3½% War Loan	103$\frac{7}{16}$	103$\frac{9}{16}$		2¾% Land	89¾	90¾
3% War Loan	101½	101⅝	-$\frac{1}{16}$	I.F.S. 4½% Land	115½	117½
Funding Loan	113⅝	113⅝	-$\frac{1}{16}$	Local Loans	94¼	94½
Victory Bonds	111½	112½*		Nat. Def. 2½%	101	102
3% Conversion	102¼	102¾*				

BONDS—RAILS—BANKS

Brazil 20-Yr. A	71½	+1
Do. 40-Yr. B	57	+1
Gt. Western	61	
L.M.S. Ord.	33⅛	
Do. 4% Pref.	78	
Do. 5% Rd. P.	108½	
Do. 4% Pf. 23	63	
L.N.E. Pf. Ord.	9¾	-⅛
Do. Def.	4¾	-⅛
Do. 1st Pref.	62	
Do. 2nd Pref.	34	-¼
Sth. Pref. Ord.	77	
Sth. Def. Ord.	25¼	
Do. 5% Pref.	118½	+½
Arg. Gt. W. 5% Deb.	58	
B.A. Gt. Sth.	12½	-¼
Do. 4% Deb.	58½	
B.A. and Pac. 4% Deb.	60	
Do. Con. 4½% Deb.	54	-½
B.A. & Western	10½	-¼
Do. 4% Deb.	49	-1
Canadian Pac.	16$\frac{9}{32}$	-$\frac{3}{32}$
C. Arg. 4% Deb.	60	-1
Do. 5% Deb. 1967-87	44	-1
Bank of Eng.	369½	
Barclay A	66/0	
Hong Kong & Shanghai	79½	-1
Lloyds	61/0	
Midland	10⅝	+$\frac{1}{16}$
Westminster	71/0	+0/6
Do. £4, £1 pd.	91/0	

OILS—RUBBERS.

Anglo-Iranian	110/7½	-0/7½
Attock	41/3	
Burmah	80/0	-0/7½
Can. Eagle	12/0	
Mex. Eagle	11/0	-0/1½
Shell	76/10½	-0/7½
Trin. Lease	90/0	
Do. Pet. Dev.	77/6	
Anglo-Dutch	15/9	
Anglo-Malay	6/7	
Highlands	17/0	
Kuala Lumpur	16/3	
Malacca	12/6	
Malayalam	34/6	
Rubber Trust	18/9	
Sua Betong	28/9	
Utd. Serdang	1/11½	

* Ex Dividend. ‡ Ex Bonus. + Ex Rights

INDUSTRIALS.

Austin (5/-)	27/3	
Assoc. Cement	64/6	
Babcock & W.	50/0	-0/3
Brown (J.)	25/4½	
B.S.A.	22/6	-0/3
Bleachers	10/6	
Brad. Dyers	22/0	
Braz. Trac.	25½	-¼
Brit. Celanese	27/4½	-0/1½
Brit. Match	40/6	+0/6
B.A. Tobacco	109/4½	-0/7½
Beechams Def.	17/6	
Boots Drug	42/0	
Brit. Alum.	48/0	
Brit. Oxygen	80/6	
Brit. Plstr. Bd.	29/3	+0/1½
Br. P. Cement	82/6	
Bass	167/0	+0/6
Brit. Insulated	109/9	
Coast Lines	15/0	
Cab. & W. Ord.	78¾	-⅛
Calico Print.	16/6	
Coats	47/1½	
Cory, Wm.	94/0	
Clan Line	5	
Cunard	23/3	
Courtaulds	53/0	+0/1½
Carreras B.	17/7½	
De La Rue	7⅛	
Dorman L.	29/0	
Dunlop	40/3	+0/1½
Distillers	88/6	
Elec. & Mus.	27/7½	
English Cotton	33/1½	
Ever Ready	39/0	
Ford	34/7½	
Fine Spinners	22/9	
Gallaher	6$\frac{13}{16}$	+$\frac{1}{16}$
Guinness	126/0	+0/6
Gen. Elec.	90/6	
Harrods	55/0	
Hudson's Bay	68/0	-1/6
Hawker Sid.	18/3	
Harland & W.	14/3	
Imp. Tobacco	7$\frac{25}{32}$	-⅛
Imp. Chemical	38/3	
Int. Nickel	38⅛	-⅜
Leyland	75/0	
Lever	36/3	
Lever N.V.	33/9	
London Brick	65/0	
Morris	41/9	+0/6
Murex	100/0	
Marks & S.	53/9	+1/0
Pressed Steel	26/6	+0/6
P. & O. Def.	34/7½	
Raleigh	77/0	
Rolls Royce	109/1½	+0/7½
Siemens	30/4	

INDUSTRIALS (Contd.)

Stewart & L.	54/0	
Sudan Plants.	44/6	
Thomas (R.)	9/9	
Tob. Secs. T.	75/0	
Tate & Lyle	67/6	
Triplex	37/6	-0/6
Tube Invest.	96/0	+2/0
Turner & N.	78/4½	
United Steel	24/9	+0/1½
United South	80/0	
Utd. Molasses	32/6	
Vickers	17/6	+0/1½
Wall Paper Di.	38/3	-1/0
White Tomkin	43/0	+0/6
Watney Def.	78/9	
Woolworth	58/0	+1/6

MINES.

Ang. Am. Inv.	50/0	
Ashanti	58/1½	-0/7½
Bibiani	27/6	-0/3
Blyvoor	78/9	
Brakpan	28/9	
Chartered	27/6	
Cons. Diam'd	35/3	
Cons. Afr. Sel.	21/3	
Cons. G.F.	54/4½	+0/7½
Crown	8	
Daggafontein	42/6	
De Beers	17½	
Durban Deep	70/0	
East Dagga.	46/3	
East Geduld	8⅞	
E. Rand Prop.	39/3	
Geduld	7⅛	
Govt. Areas	39/4½	
J'burg Cons.	61/10½	
Langlaagte	5/6	
Libanon	18/3	
Luipaards	19/6	
Marievale	29/3	
Nigel Gold	50/0	
Roan	11/9	
Rhod. Ang. A.	18/3	-0/3
Rhodesian Sel.	12/6	
Rhokana	7¼	
Rio Tinto	17½	
Simmer & J.	10/9	
Springs	16/10½	
S.A. Land	77/6	
Venterspost	32/6	+0/7½
Vereeniging	62/6	
Victoria Falls	87/6	
Vlakfontein	29/4½	
Vogels'bult	26/10½	-0/7½
West Holding	35/7½	
West Reefs	58/1½	-0/7½
West Springs	26/3	
West Wits	9¼	

FOOD MARKETS

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Fair supplies, with sales quiet, in the main, at: York cabbage, large 15/- to 40/-, small 10/- to 16/-; Savoy, large 13/- to 30/-, small 10/- to 14/- per load; swedes 2/- to 3/-, mangolds 2/-, onions 20/- to 39/6 per cwt.; cauliflowers 6/- to 7/-, seconds 2/- to 2/9; lettuce 6d. to 2/-, indoor 4/- to 11/6; red cabbage 3/- to 4/- per doz.; sprouts 1/6 to 2/6, artichokes and beet 2/- to 2/6, parsley 1/-, rhubarb 4/- to 5/6, carrots 2/- to 2/6 per doz. bundles, 5/- to 10/- per bag; parsnips 5/- to 7/-, spinach 3/- to 4/-, turnips 6d. to 10d., kale 6d. to 8d., thyme 2d. to 6d., celery 3/- to 15/-, leeks 4d. to 1/6, mushrooms 3/6, seakale 1/9, chicory 1/6 per lb., and apples 6/- to 16/- per stone.

J. J. LIGHTFOOT & SON, M.I.A.A., Auctioneers of all Classes of Fruit, Flowers and Vegetables. MARY'S LANE & GEORGE'S HILL, DUBLIN. —(Advt.)

GARRETT BEGG and SONS, M.I.A.A., Auctioneers, Fruit and Vegetables, Corporation Market. 'Phone 21552.

DUBLIN FISH.—Supplies confined to 92 boxes from one trawler, and a few lots from country senders. Demand brisk, at: Salmon 5/9 to 6/9; soles, black 6/- to 6/9; turbot 2/6 to 3/-, brill 2/6 to 3/3 per lb.; herrings 65/- to 74/-, cod 120/- to 200/-, codling 80/- to 120/-, whiting 120/- to 197/-, ray 51/- to 81/-, hake, small 145/- to 150/-; conger eels 52/-, pollock 80/- to 128/-, white soles 120/- to 160/-, gurnard 55/- to 68/-, monkfish 92/-, and prawns 30/- to 33/- per box.

DUBLIN GRAIN.—Small offerings, with prices firm, at: Oats 31/- to 33/-, wheat 47/- to 50/-, and barley 33/- per barrel, delivered.

DUBLIN BUTTER AND EGG.—Creams steady, at 246/- per cwt., less box allowance. Eggs in good supply, with sales slow and values reduced, at: Specials 30/- to 31/-, standards 28/- to 29/-, selected 26/6 to 27/-, pullets 26/-, and ducks 30/- to 31/- per 120.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW.—Light arrivals cleared more readily at: Best hay 7/6 to 8/3, secondary 6/9 to 7/6; strong old meadow 6/- to 6/6, softer 4/6 to 5/9, and straw 3/3 to 3/9 per cwt.

DUBLIN POULTRY.—Fair supplies, with demand improved, at: Chickens 1/6 to 1/9, hens 1/3 to 1/5½, ducks 1/8, turkeys 2/4 to 2/6 per lb.; guinea fowl 18/- to 19/-, snipe 1/-, teal 1/3, wild duck 3/6, rabbits 2/4 to 2/6, widgeon 2/9, grey plover 3/- to 3/6, green 3d. to 4d., woodquest 3/9, hares 2/-, pigeons 3/6, woodcock 3/6, and wild geese 6/- each.

Little Green Market, Dublin. CARTON BROS., LTD.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN POTATO.—Fair stocks at firm rates. Dates, Kerr's Pinks and Sprys Abundance 10/-, and Banners 9/- per cwt., ex store.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Haddocks, sprags, codling, whiting, ling, coalfish, bream and cod 6/5 with heads on; lemon soles and plaice 15/6, halibut and turbot 21/6, cod (headless) 8/7 per stone.

MANCHESTER GAME AND DEAD POULTRY.—Seasonal shortage of game and poultry; arrivals insufficient for requirements. Official prices for all descriptions, which clear readily. Pheasants quoted cock 7/6, hen 6/9 each; grouse 9/6, partridge 8/6 brace; brown hares 7/6, others 4/6 each; chickens, fowls, ducks and geese 1/9; turkeys 2/9 lb.; rabbits 11½d. lb. (wholesale).

We can arrange all your Insurances at best rates.—Alan B. Kidd, Ltd., Insurance Brokers, 14 Dawson street, Dublin. —(Advt.)

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

SUGAR RATIONING

INSTRUCTIONS TO HOUSEHOLDERS.

AS FROM SATURDAY NEXT, THE 29th JANUARY, PAGE 20, LETTERED P, WILL BE THE PAGE OF THE GENERAL RATION BOOK APPLICABLE TO SUGAR. All householders should, therefore, take IMMEDIATE STEPS to

(1) Fill in the name and address on the top portion of Page 20, lettered P, of the Ration Book of each member of their households;

(2) Lodge the Ration Books of all members of their households at the shop where it is desired to register. The shopkeeper will detach Page 20 and return the Ration Books, having acknowledged receipt of the pages in the appropriate spaces in Page 2 of the Books.

HOUSEHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED, IN THEIR OWN INTERESTS, TO REGISTER THE MEMBERS OF THEIR HOUSEHOLDS AT THE SHOP FROM WHICH THEY ARE AT PRESENT RECEIVING THEIR SUGAR RATIONS.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SHOPKEEPERS.

On and from Saturday, the 29th January, 1944, a shopkeeper MAY NOT SUPPLY DOMESTIC RATIONS OF SUGAR TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT REGISTERED AS A SUGAR CUSTOMER AT THAT SHOP BY LODGING PAGE 20, LETTERED P, OF HIS RATION BOOK, WHICH WILL BE THE PAGE APPLICABLE TO SUGAR AS FROM THAT DATE.

A SHOPKEEPER MUST ACCEPT THE APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF ANY PERSON AT PRESENT REGISTERED WITH HIM FOR SUGAR.

A shopkeeper must detach the whole of Page 20 of the Ration Book in each case, INCLUDING THE TOP PORTION, and, having acknowledged its receipt in the appropriate space in Page 2, return the Ration Book.

Department of Supplies, Dublin. 25th January, 1944.

JOHN LEYDON, Secretary.

(Cut out and keep for reference.)

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

GAIETY THEATRE
7.45 — ONCE NIGHTLY — MATINEES WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS—2.30
Jimmy O'Dea in "ROBINSON CRUSOE."
With EIRE O'REILLY.
SPECIALTY ACTS:
Mahony Bros. The Stephensons.
Booking Open Daily, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

OLYMPIA THEATRE
NIGHTLY, AT 7.45.
MATINEE SATURDAY NEXT AT 2.30
THE GREAT BENYON presents
"YULETIDE EXPRESS NO. 4."
Another complete change of Show. This Week is Crazy "Happy-go-Lucky Week"
To-night: Menswear, Ltd., Gift Night. Friday Night: Crazy Night. £10 Prizes Given Free.
Gifts, Prizes, Novelties each Night. The Super Sensation, "THE HUMAN TORPEDO."
Reappearance of Evelyn Talma, Benyon Personality Daughter.
A New Show, too good to miss. Box Office Open Daily. 'Phone 2296

ABBEY THEATRE
At 7.30 p.m.
"THE WHITEHEADED BOY."
A Comedy by Lennox Robinson.
Latecomers not admitted until end of First Act.

AMHARCLANN NA MAINISTREACH
(Thar cheann an Chomhair Dramaíochta)
Dia Domhnaigh agus Dia Luain 30/1/44 agus 31/1/44, ar 7.30 p.m.
An chead léiriú de
LAISTIAR DE'N EADAN
le Eibhlín Ní Shúilleabháin.

GATE THEATRE
EDWARDS—MacLIAMMOIR.
5th WEEK.
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MATINEES
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Jimmy O'Dea in
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SPECIALTY ACTS:
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NIGHTLY, AT 7.45.
MATINEE SATURDAY NEXT AT 2.30.
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Another complete change of Show. This Week is Crazy "Happy-go-Lucky Week."
To-night: Menswear, Ltd., Gift Night. Friday Night: Crazy Night. £10 in Prizes Given Free.
Gifts, Prizes, Novelties each Night. The Super Sensation, "THE HUMAN TORPEDO."
Reappearance of Evelyn Talma, Benyon's Personality Daughter.
A New Show, too good to miss. Box Office Open Daily. 'Phone 22962.

ABBEY THEATRE
At 7.30 p.m.
"THE WHITEHEADED BOY."
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Latecomers not admitted until end of First Act.

AMHARCLANN NA MAINISTREACH
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MARY MARTIN, FRANCHOT TONE, DICK POWELL, in
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SECOND MELODIOUS EDITION!
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REGAL ROOMS CINEMA. At 2.45, 4.50, 7.0, 9.10.
The Year's Thrilling Discovery,
SUSAN PETERS,
Richard CARLSON, Mary ASTOR, Herbert MARSHALL,
in "YOUNG IDEAS."

SAVOY At 2.32, 4.45, 6.58, 9.11.
Deanna Durbin in "HERS TO HOLD."
COMING FRIDAY,
CLAUDETTE COLBERT, RAY MILLAND, BRIAN AHERNE,
DANGEROUS SKYLARK.

CAPITOL DAILY, 2.30 to 11 o.c.
ANOTHER EUROPEAN PREMIERE:
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JEANNETTE MacDONALD NELSON EDDY

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BETTY GRABLE,
George Montgomery, Cesar Romero, in "CONEY ISLAND."
In Technicolor.

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK.
JOURNEY FOR MARGARET, with Robert Young, Laraine Day, Fay Bainter. Thurs.: The FALCON STRIKES BACK. And POWER of the PRESS.

GREEN—3.20, 6.0, 8.40—Garry Cooper, Barbara Stanwyck, "BALL OF FIRE." Also Fuzzy Knight, "RIDERS of PASCO BASIN."

COMPANY NOTICES.

THE IMPERIAL TOBACCO COMPANY (of Great Britain and Ireland), LIMITED.
Bristol,
26th January, 1944.
Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Ordinary Stock of the above Company will be closed from the 1st to 15th February, both days inclusive, for preparation of the dividend payable on 1st March to all Stockholders on the Register at the close of business on the 31st January.
By Order.
G. W. ANSON,
Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

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1943/'44.
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SEAMUS O MURCHADHA,
Chairman of Commissioners for Dublin Board of Assistance.

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By Order, A. D. STEWART,
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A SERVICE OF HEALING
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IS DEBT STATUTE BARRED?

Whether a letter written by a retired grocer and publican in Naas to the Hibernian Bank took his indebtedness out of the Statute of Limitations or not was argued before Mr. Justice Murnaghan, Mr. Justice Geoghegan, Mr. Justice O'Byrne and Mr. Justice Black in the Supreme Court, Dublin, yesterday, on the hearing of an appeal on behalf of Nicholas Maher, 26 North Main street, Naas, from a judgment of the High Court for £1,602 in favour of the bank, the sum representing, it was stated, money due by him on an overdraft.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-day.

Mr. Maher stated in an affidavit that he admitted that money had been advanced to him by the bank, but that their right to recover never had been admitted by him. He had not acknowledged any debt to them within twelve years before they brought their action or paid any sum as part payment. In the circumstances, their right to recover was barred by the Statute of Limitations.

The bank relied on a letter of October 19th, 1942, from Mr. Maher as an acknowledgment that a sum of £407 odd and a sum of £497 odd were due by him on his overdraft.

LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, January 26.

THE SUPREME COURT (11).—The Hibernian Bank v. Maher (at hearing); the State (Gettins) v. the Circuit Court Judge, North-Western Circuit (part heard).

THE HIGH COURT. In Court 5. Mr. Justice Overend, 11. Action (further consideration)—Hill v. Maunsell Eyre (at hearing). Summons—Brown v. Gregg. In Court 6. Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, 11. Circuit Appeal (part heard)—Gaffney v. Lloyd and ors. Summons—Marshall v. McKenna and ors.

CIRCUIT APPEALS—In Court 1. The President, 11—Leonard v. Carroll; Deasy and Co., Flynn and anor. Non-Jury Actions. In Court 3. Mr. Justice Haugh (11)—Haulbowline Industries v. Leyden and anor. (at hearing).

THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT. 11.15. Motions of Course, Summonses, Motions on Notice. Bankruptcy, 12.

CIRCUIT CRIMINAL COURT, at Green Street Courthouse, Dublin, 11—Jurors, 1 to 150, must attend.

CIRCUIT COURT OF JUSTICE. Before Judge Davitt, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, 11. Motion—McDermott and ors. v. Foley. Equity Suit—Sargeant v. Donohoe.

AUCTION REALISED £8,700

At MacArthur House, D'Olier street, yesterday, Mr. Albert MacArthur sold £8,700 worth of investments, shops and private property, including 19 St. Stephen's Green, 72 Lower Mount Street, 4 Rathfarnham Road, Terenure; 128 Navan Road, Cabra, and 47 Cork Street, 16 Elmpark Avenue, Ranelagh, was sold prior to auction.

THE SUN.	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.22	9.20
Sets	5.55	5.57
Lighting-up Time	6.25	6.27

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.		
Morning	0.35	1.21
Evening	0.42	1.31

The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 26, 1944.

Monopoly

The Great Southern Railways Company's monopoly of road transport will be extended, as from the beginning of February, to the counties of Kerry, Limerick and Clare. In effect, its scope will include virtually an accurate half of the entire area of the twenty-six counties. It was, of course, evident from the first beginnings of the scheme—indeed, to do justice to the Government, Mr. Lemass made no secret of his intentions—that an experiment was being made in North Mayo which, if successful, would point the way to an "emergency" system of road transport for the whole State. The prevailing fear is that this "emergency" reform will become part and parcel of the post-war scheme of things. For ourselves, we regard this encroachment upon the rights and privileges of the private lorry-owner throughout the rural areas as something considerably more important and more sinister than the widely-publicised absorption of the Dublin United Transport Company. If there were incontrovertible evidence that the Connaught experiment actually had led to a substantial economy in fuel, without any disproportionate reduction in the facilities available to the consumer, we would have been more than satisfied with its extension to so many counties—and its potential extension to the whole State—but evidence to that effect is not forthcoming. We are compelled to believe, with all respect to the Minister and his assurances, that something more than an "emergency-long" organisation has been contemplated. Arrangements of this order—that is to say, arrangements which entail, on the one hand, the establishment of a statutory transport company, backed by money from the Exchequer to the extent of many millions of pounds, and, on the other hand, the elimination of hundreds of small lorry-owners—are not arrangements which are made for a few months, or even for a few years. In our opinion, the whole question is not one of the rights of a number of shareholders, or of the rights even of a considerable number of individuals; it is a question, rather, of the right of a whole community to cheap and efficient transport both of their persons and of their goods. Can we suppose that this consideration is foremost in the eyes of the Minister for Industry and Commerce and of his advisers? We hope so, but we would like to be certain.

"Your Policemen"

Thorough readers of the newspapers cannot fail to have noticed the report of a recent case in the Dublin District Court, in which a carter was convicted of the theft of two bags of fuel from a load entrusted to him for delivery. The charge had its origin in the remarkable acuteness of a member of the Civic Guard. The Guard in question, while on duty, saw the cart pass, and observed that there was a space at the rear as if two bags had been removed. He stopped the carter at once and checked the dockets, to find that his suspicions were correct. This quick intelligence and zeal in the public service are worthy of the highest commendation; yet they are only a single example—though a noteworthy one—of the excellent work done by the Civic Guard. "Your policemen are wonderful" is the stock remark of all visitors to London, to all interviewers; but our own policemen, the Gárda Siochána, are equally deserving of praise. The members of this still young force, by their diligence and efficiency, have won the admiration of a nation that is not too easily impressed by agents of law and order. Even greater, however, than the respect accorded to their ability is the affection which they have won by their humanity. Almost every week cases are seen in the courts in which the Guards themselves plead for mercy towards the men whom they have brought to justice. Recently two members of the force were the most earnest advocates of men who had assaulted them. Anybody who uses his eyes in the streets of Dublin may perceive these big men in blue, unruffled by even the most glaring exhibitions of stupidity, saving old women from annihilation at busy crossings, and gently assisting the mother with a swarm of unruly children. With the tipsy reveller they are humorous, but firm; with the scandalised householder they are kind and soothing. Regrettably, their merits, widely as they are recognised, do not protect them from insult and assault in certain quarters. There have been occasions on which Guards, attacked by drunken mobs, have been unable to find any good citizen to help them, and have suffered in the course of their efforts to protect these citizens. Irishmen cannot learn too soon that, to the independent member of an independent nation, the policeman is always a friend.

The Crystal Palace

The Crystal Palace, show-piece of the Great Exhibition of 1851 in London, is to be resurrected for the second time. After the Exhibition for which it was constructed it was transferred from Hyde Park to a site at Sydenham. There it stood until 1936, a huge building of glass, like a gigantic conservatory, surrounded by spacious grounds, famous for their brilliant firework displays. The great fire of 1936 brought it to the ground for the second time, sparing only the well-known tower; and that in its turn was dismantled early in the present war, in order that a more useful purpose might be served by its great steel girders. Now it is proposed to construct a new building, or series of buildings, upon the site at Sydenham. Sir Henry Buckland, general manager for the trustees of the Crystal Palace, described this position at a recent meeting as "one of the finest sites in all England, with half-a-mile frontage and a glorious wide parade overlooking the City of London." His plans for new developments, prepared in collaboration with the Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts, propose to make full use of this remarkable position, on rising ground from which a view of London itself and the adjoining counties can be obtained. Briefly, it is suggested that a series of buildings shall be erected, about forty feet high, and with flat roofs; that on the roofs shall be extensive gardens, where visitors may enjoy the air and the view; and that the buildings shall include a theatre, dance hall and concert hall, great halls for exhibitions, swimming pool, ice rink, restaurants, and a huge amphitheatre for boxing, circuses, military tattoos and the like. Altogether, it is a massive scheme; but the trustees are in a strong financial position, and, if they succeed in carrying it through, they will have provided the people of London with one of the most magnificent "pleasuredromes" in the world. Former visitors will be relieved to hear, however, that, after so complete a reconstruction, there still will be room for fireworks at the Crystal Palace. The new Palace will not betray the memories of those who, on the great terraces of the old building, were thrilled for the first time by the showers of stars and the magical, multi-coloured set-pieces.

THE President has received from the President of Poland, through the Polish Consul-General, Monsieur W. Th. Dobrzynski, a collection of etchings of Poland. He has presented to the President of Poland an autographed copy of his poetical work, "The Three Sorrows of Story-telling of Ireland."

The Earl of Midleton, who arrived in Dublin this week from England, has left for Cork.

Lady Mahon and her son have arrived in Dublin from Castlegar, Ahascragh.

Sir Harry Brittain has arrived in Dublin from Hampshire, and is staying at the Shelbourne Hotel.

Mr. St. J. Le Elufy has arrived in Dublin from Blackrock, Co. Cork.

The marriage took place between Doctor Patrick J. Aird, Grangegorman Mental Hospital, and Miss Marie Boushel, Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford, on 10th January at St. Peter and Paul's Church, Arran quay.

Ballymacad Hunt Ball, Gresham Hotel, to-night. Dancing 10 p.m.

Dublin University Engineers' Ball, Wednesday 2nd February, in Metropole. Tickets, V. Whitcroft, 38 T.C.D.

Switzers are offering a limited number of Ladies' Coats (Swagger and Tailored styles) at special reduced prices. They are mostly in checks and fancy tweeds. Cannot be sent on approval.

Helena Rubinstein's famous Treatments are being given by her personal Assistant this week and next at Switzers, Grafton street.

Walpoles — Watch windows this week for special stock-taking oddments in fashion department. Many frocks, hats, etc., greatly reduced in prices. An early visit will prevent disappointment as stocks are limited. Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

Smart, warm, well-tailored Coats—ideal for spring wear. See our attractive new range of plain colours. Davis & Co., 46 Grafton st., Dublin.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear. — Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Bring your friends to the Lounge Bar, Four Courts Hotel.

Gay and fashionable evening shoes—at Stephens & Bourke.

Marjorie Boland, 86 Grafton street — Last week of Sale. Great reductions in slightly tossed Coats, Frocks and Suits.

Sale at Tarlos to-day of good quality Coats and Costumes, at bargain prices.—Dame street, opposite City Hall.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

OBITUARY

SIR JOHN LESLIE

The death occurred yesterday at his residence, Glasslough, Co. Monaghan, of Colonel Sir John Leslie, Bart. His son, Mr. Shane Leslie, the well-known Irish writer and poet, succeeds to the title.

Sir John, who was 86 years of age, was the only son of Sir John, the first baronet, created 1876, and Lady Constance Wilhelmina Dawson-Damer. He succeeded to the title in 1916. A Justice of the Peace, he was appointed High Sheriff in 1905 and Lieutenant for Co. Monaghan in 1905. He was a Lieutenant of the Grenadier Guards and Lieutenant-Colonel of the 5th Battalion, Royal Irish Fusiliers. He was a Hon. Colonel (retired) of the Special Reserve and a member of the Irish Recruiting Committee for Ulster. He served in the Egyptian Expedition in 1882 and in South Africa in 1900, commanding the 12th Battalion, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

His wife, formerly Léonie Blanche, daughter of Leonard Jerome, of New York, and an aunt of Mr. Winston Churchill, died in August, 1943.

WEDDING

Kelly—Farrell.—The marriage took place in the Capuchin Church, Church street, Dublin, of Mr. Patrick Kelly, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon, third son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly, Fortfield House, Roscommon, to Miss Mary Farrell, second eldest daughter of Mrs. Farrell and the late Mr. Daniel Farrell, Clonrolla, Longford. The ceremony, with Nuptial Mass, was performed by the Rev. J. Earley, Adm., Longford. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Daniel Farrell, was attended by her sister, Miss Julia Farrell, and Mr. A. M. Farrell was best man. A reception was held at the Dolphin Hotel.

SUGGESTED GIFT TO NATION

A hope that the ceilings of Mespil House, Dublin—famous for their 18th century stucco decoration—would be saved for the nation, was expressed by Mr. Eoin O'Mahony in a paper read to the Royal Society of Antiquaries in Dublin last night, on "Freemen of Cork from the Boyne to the Union."

These ceilings were commissioned, he said, at the time when the house was owned by Edward Barry, a member of a Cork family. In the drawingroom of the house one of Barry's daughters used to thrill Dublin society with her acting.

Messrs. H. G. Leask, president; J. J. Tierney, hon. secretary; and J. Maher, treasurer, were re-elected. Mr. Donal O'Sullivan was elected a Fellow, and the Rev. P. K. Egan, C.C., Ballinasloe, and Mr. F. W. Strath members.

CRUISKEENLAWN

By Myles na gCopaleen

REMEMBER last week's extracts from a book of bilingual dialogues suggesting how all decent students of Irish should learn to speak? Well, here is another little bit which suggests that the ideal Irishman *is interested in the diversity of two means of lingual communication, one inferior, one superior; attributes inaccurate attainments in the latter to juveniles resident in the town of Killorglin; and is persuaded that English speakers excel Irish speakers as to proficiency in the use of foul and profane language*:

"Hugh—We have a great longing for English, and, between ourselves, we have gained very little by it.

"Dermot—That is the misfortune altogether. I was below at Killorglin the other day with two others, and we were talking in Irish, and what did a little brat say who was listening to us? 'Lishen te dem tree ould fools spakin' Irish; fwy doesn't dey spake English like any udder Chrishen?' Said another brat: 'Oh, dims glinsthers; an' dey has nuttin but Irish. Dere's no schools up dere.' I did not pretend that I heard them, but I said to myself, Ye ought to feel proud of your English.

"Hugh—And, Dermot, is not that the same English they all have, young and old?

"Dermot—They have a little more; they have 'damn you' and 'blasht you' quick enough.

"Hugh—You may bet they don't be long picking up 'the prayers.' But, Dermot, if the English of the people at home is bad, the worst of all is the talk that comes out of the month of a person who spends part of his time in England or Scotland. He has not the second word without a curse or an oath. Now, you know as well as I do that we are not without our share of the curses in Irish, but, Dermot, it is very seldom one hears an oath in the mouth of an Irish speaker. But that is not the case with the English speaker; he is not satisfied unless he is firing oaths out of his filthy mouth in the name of the Lord.

"Dermot—O! but that is the proper manliness, man!

"Hugh—If it is, God help us."

Gaelic Studies Department

I was looking through that fascinating novel *Sylvia Gadde-Elleker* (par Stan Dich Mac an Ague de Grady) there the other day and came across this—you will readily recognise the sentence describing some of the rather Middle West matriculation rites into the fasciculist Milesia, sorry, militia under their Commissioner Giniral Vaughan Maghoul:

"Mina lingedh tar crann bud comard re a édan ocus mina cromad fó cradd bud comard rena glún ní gabtai é." (Last three words mean 'he was not deemed to be gouty.')

That word 'cradd' amused me and I looked for a note on it at the back. Found the note all right, and a very cranky one too—"'Cradd' is a purely arbitrary writing for '*crand*, *crann*, '*trée*.'"

Purely arbitrary is good I must say. Grady must be a man never had a cold in the head in his life. What is so logical about *crann*, anyway? Or tree for that matter?

A Memoir of Keats

The foregoing brings another thing into my 'head.' Keats was once staying with Sir Beerbohm Tree and the poet tried to foment a romance between his cousin, Mary Mee, and Sir Beerbohm. He succeeded after a fashion, but the love-making was rather desultory and eventually threatened to paul out. Keats was very disturbed by this and—I *do* beg your pardon, eventually threatened to *peter* out. Keats was very disturbed by this and tried to find a way to stimulate the affair. St. Valentine's Day chanced to come round and the poet sent Sir Beerbohm a little verse as follows:

Don't sit under the apple, Tree,
With anybody else but Mee.

This had not the desired effect. Sir Beerbohm took fright and repaired to London in a drag. He never got round to saying will you Mary Mee.

(Heavens, I reflect, have I used this before?)

APPEAL OF ADVERTISING

A large meeting of the Advertising Press Club in the Central Hotel, Dublin, last night, welcomed Mr. Victor Salter, of the *Belfast Telegraph*, who read a paper on "Advertising As I See It."

Mr. Salter said that the modern period of advertising expansion began in 1911. Advertising was scientific printed selling, which had to foresee objections and overcome them in advance. It had the advantage over personal selling that it could sell to a vastly greater number. Advertising and salesmen should be harnessed as a team, and in that way they did the most good for advertisers.

Advertising paid if it were good, and bad advertising was no better than bad salesmen.

Advertising, Mr. Salter pointed out, created desires for things and educated those to whom it was desirable to sell. It changed to meet the wishes of the crowd or class in which it was expected to arouse desires for different things. People were plastic by nature, and by appealing in different ways the advertiser achieved his ends. Suggestion of the right kind was successful and sold articles, while a great number of people followed the example set by those who bought.

Mr. D. J. Fogarty presided, and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. M. J. Clarke, of the *Irish Times*.

ARCHITECTS' DUTIES

The relationship between the clerk of works and the architect was stressed by Mr. Oscar Leach, B.Arch., A.R.I.B.A., who spoke on "The Duties of the Clerk of Works" at last night's meeting of the Architectural Association of Ireland. Mr. Dermot O'Toole (President) was in the chair.

The architect has a responsibility to the clerk of works, said Mr. Leach. He must make certain that the clerk knows what he wants, and this could only be achieved by the architect producing complete sets of drawings and specifications.

RESTORED TO REGISTER

At yesterday's meeting of the Medical Registration Council in Dublin it was announced that, after due consideration, Christopher Bastible, M.B., B.Ch. (N.U.I.), of McCartan street, Wexford, was restored to the Medical Register of Ireland. Dr. Denis J. Coffey presided.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Meath Ploughing Champion.—Thomas Burke, Kildalkey, won the Co. Meath Ploughing Championship at Stoneyford, Longwood, yesterday. He defeated Patrick Maher, Ardcath (junior champion of Eire), Bernard McMahon, Kildalkey being third.

Accidental Drowning.—A verdict of accidental death from drowning was returned by the City Coroner, Dr. D. A. MacErlean, on the body of an unidentified man which was taken from the River Liffey near Islandbridge on January 22nd, having been noticed in the water by a university student.

Commodore's Wexford Home Sold.—The farmstead at Ballysampson, Wexford, including the residence and 112 acres of land, where Commodore Barry, founder of the American Navy, spent his boyhood, was sold yesterday to Nicholas Meyler, Sigginstown, Wexford, a farmer, for £1,500.

"MARIONETTES"

By CIVIS.

THE Minister for Local Government challenges the *Irish Times'* statement that—"in the metropolitan area of Dublin . . . . . the County Management and its associated Acts have proved to be quite unworkable." That statement, and others in the same editorial article, the Minister says, were "based on ignorance of the facts." As his letter deals in a summary, and quite unsatisfactory, way with issues which are of serious moment to the citizens of Dublin, it seems desirable to draw public attention to the following facts:—

(1) The County Management Act was officially declared to be one of three interdependent measures designed to effect serious changes in local government.

(2) The other measures were the Public Assistance Act, which provided for the unification of indoor and outdoor relief in Dublin City and County; and the Local Government Act, which enabled the Minister to reduce the membership of existing local authorities.

(3) The Management Act named the City Manager of Dublin, with the Borough Manager of Dun Laoghaire and another person to be appointed, as Manager and Assistant Managers of the County Council, of Dun Laoghaire Borough Council, of the Dublin Board of Assistance and of all their constituent and contributory bodies.

(4) These three Acts, having been held in suspense for some years, were put into force generally in October of 1942.

(5) Meanwhile, Dublin County Council and Dublin Board of Guardians had been dissolved, and their duties transferred to State-appointed Commissioners, who continue to discharge duties assigned by law to the City and County Manager—who also is Town Clerk of Dublin, Manager of Grangegorman Mental Hospital, of the Town of Balbriggan and of several drainage and burial boards in the county areas.

(6) Despite the provisions of the Public Assistance Act three assistance boards remain, overlap the city boundary, and are separately administered.

(7) Thus, instead of unified services under common management, Dublin now has three separate administrative authorities and seven or eight independent staffs of professional and administrative officials.

The question at issue between the *Irish Times* and the Minister is not whether these departures from the provisions of the Management and its associated Acts have been necessary or desirable in the public interest—but whether their collective effect does, or does not, justify the conclusion that the Act as applied to Dublin has completely failed to achieve the declared purposes of its authors—and that it has, in that all-important sense, "proved to be quite unworkable."

Unless the Minister is prepared to dispute the substantial accuracy of the facts set out above, readers will be able to draw their own conclusions as to the suggestion that the *Irish Times* comment was "based on ignorance."

UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN

JUNIOR FRESHMAN TERM EXAMINATION

The following candidates have passed: Allen, G. H.; Banahan, W. D.; Barry, T. J.; Bolingbroke, P. J.; Brownell, Doris B.; Burrows, F. G. O.; Clein, L. J.; Cooper, F. L.; Corbett, P. J.; Crawford, H. de L.; Cullen, P. J.; Cusack, Anne L. J.; Devlin, H. A.; England, F. G.; Finegan, A. W. S.; Fitzgerald, J. M.; Gillespie, R. N.; Good, Agnes C.; Grant, T. W.; Hipwell, Ellen B.; Holt, Beryl F.; Jennings, T. R.; Johnston, J. E.; Johnston, Vyvyan I. K.; King, Mary M.; Lewis, J. W.; McConnell, Isabel N.; McKinley, Phyllis R.; McMillan, A. M.; McNaul, W. D.; Marsden, R.; Marshall, J.; Michael, T. T. E.; Mitchell, R. W. Pigott, E. D.; Power, J. J.; Reede, S. W.; Rogers, Kathleen C.; Ruddock, J.; Saville, Stephanie; Scott, A. F. C.; Scott, R. C.; Shaw, Pamela; Shorten, T. R.; Siberry, R. N.; Stevenson, R. C.; Stewart, A. C.; Ticher, P. F.; Tweedy, D. E.; Tyner, J. T.; Wallace, Margaret P.; Wilkinson, Florence M.; Williamson, I. D. R.; Wilson, C. J. K.

SPECIAL PRIZES IN ARTS.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S PRIZES.—English Verse—White, W. J. English Prose—Godfrey, D. R.

BERKELEY MEDAL.—Luce, J. V.

TERM HONOR EXAMINATIONS.

JUNIOR SOPHISTERS.—Classics—First Rank—White, A. R.

MENTAL AND MORAL SCIENCE.—First Rank—Denard, W. V.; Forde, H. G.; White, A. R.; Barr, D. J. O., and McDowell, W. T.; Shearer, E. G.; Good, R. S.; Waterstone, A. T. Second Rank—Harrison, R. G., and Kennedy, J. E.; Doyle, E. R. Third Rank—Reid, W. F.; Wilson, S.; Pollard, S. J.; Lowry, C. S.; Leathem, T. L.; Hipwell, T. S.

SENIOR FRESHMEN.

CLASSICS.—Second Rank—Wilson, B. C. S.

MENTAL AND MORAL SCIENCE.—First Rank—Griffin, V. G.; Clarke, D. G. A.; Motyer, J. A.; Turnbull, A. J.; Sheppard, D. E. W. H.; Armstrong, R. C. Second Rank—L'Estrange, G. J. A.; Wilkinson, R. M.; Bourke, G. W.; Gray, H. H. J. Third Rank—Taylor, T. R. B.; Bateman, A. R. M.; Salter, R.

ENGLISH.—First Rank—Robinson, Constance P. Second Rank—Bolton, Judy; Foster, H. G.; Thornton, Joan L. Third Rank—Crawford, Louisa G.

LAURENCE GINNELL

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—Because I greatly appreciate the historical broadcasts of Radio Eireann, and think that both in regard to accuracy and artistic production Radio Eireann does them supremely well, I write to signal what, I am sure, was an inadvertent omission in its recent, otherwise splendid, broadcast on the work of Sinn Féin and the First Dáil.

The unselfish work of Laurence Ginnell for Ireland and for Sinn Féin should not be forgotten. He was really the first Sinn Féin T.D. After he was elected as an independent candidate in 1910, he worked in close co-operation with Sinn Féin. At a great meeting in Mullingar in 1917, addressed by Mr. Arthur Griffith, Mr. de Valera and Dr. Kathleen Lynn, advocating Sinn Féin abstentionist policy, Laurence Ginnell, M.P., rose, and asked and received permission of his constituents to leave Westminster—a notable and striking event.

It was his wife, Alice, who was sent from Ireland to Count Plunkett, who had been deported to England, to suggest that he should contest the Roscommon election; and Laurence Ginnell worked hard to secure that victory and all the other victories of Sinn Féin.—Yours, etc.,

MAUD GONNE MACBRIDE.

Roebuck House,
Clonskeagh, Dublin.
January 23rd, 1944.

ARCHBISHOP OF YORK TO VISIT AMERICA

The Archbishop of York (Dr. Garbett) is hoping to visit the United States shortly after Easter. Dr. Garbett also hopes to visit Canada in the course of his short tour.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10, Matins, Litany. 4, Evensong.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—10.45, Matins. 3, Evensong.

ST. ANN'S, Dawson St.—10, Litany.

ST. STEPHEN'S, Upper Mount St.—10, Matins. 8, Intercession Service.

ZION CHURCH, Rathgar.—11.15, Intercession Service.

ST. WERBURGH'S.—8, E.P.

CHRIST CHURCH, Taney.—10, M.P. 11.30, Intercession Service.

ST. NAHI.—8.15, Intercession Service.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, DUBLIN, Lr. Baggot street, is a branch church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Services: Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 7.45 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room (same address) open daily, except Saturdays, from 2 to 5. Sundays 6-7 p.m.

POSTAL TUITION for Civil Service and Bank Exams.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, Dublin. —(Advt.)

LONDON LETTER

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
TUESDAY NIGHT.

THE news that Mr. Henry Hunloke, M.P. for West Derbyshire since 1938, has applied for the Chiltern Hundreds and is to give up politics, recalls the fact that members of the Devonshire family have occupied this seat for sixty years, with only two short breaks, which is a record for a "family seat." Mr. Hunloke's wife, the former Lady Ann Cavendish, is a sister of the present Duke of Devonshire, who took a part in the Anglo-Irish negotiations of 1938, and who, like his father and grandfather, was M.P. for West Derbyshire until he went to the House of Lords. Mr. Hunloke, a son of Sir Philip Hunloke, who was the helmsman for many years of the late King George V., deputised for the present King during the Coronation rehearsals at Westminster Abbey.

Successor

His brother-in-law, the Marquess of Hartington, son and heir of the present Duke of Devonshire, is to be the Conservative candidate in the by-election, caused by Mr. Hunloke's retirement, and he is expected to be returned unopposed. At the Marquess's coming-of-age celebrations, five years ago, at Chatsworth, the great ancestral home, one of the largest in England, thousands of guests were present. It was at the private chapel there that Lord Charles Cavendish was married to Miss Adele Astaire.

Tailors' Triumph

Mr. Dalton's statement in the Commons that non-austerity suits for men will be allowed again, after twenty months of no turn-ups, few pockets, and other severe restrictions, has received a universal welcome. The restrictions, which he imposed in 1942, were doomed to failure from the beginning, because they were so obviously opposed to popular taste. He has now reduced the number of coupons for the hundreds of thousands of austerity suits, now in the shops from twenty-six to twenty, but it is feared that here will be few "takers" at this reduction. To-day's announcement is a triumph for Mr. Robert Heron, of the Bespoke Tailors' Guild and for the National Federation of Merchant Tailors, which has sent nine deputations to the Board of Trade, and has been able to prove, at long last, to the Directorate-General of Civilian Clothing that austerity suits have a far shorter wearing life than the normal style.

Fewer Harps

No new harps are at present being made by Mr. J. G. Morley, the only harp maker left in Britain, whose family has been in business in Old Brompton road, South Kensington, since 1816. Instead he is concentrating on repairs and adaptations. The harp is an expensive hobby for amateurs nowadays. The set of forty-five strings, for example, costs £5, three times the pre-war price. Mr. Morley believes that there are only two other harp makers in the world, one of whom is in Belfast. At the age of five he started in this ancient trade under his father, who paid him a penny for every string he put in. He has the records of another London harp maker, dating back to 1807, showing receipts of £20,000 and a sale of 250 harps a year. These palmy days are long since over, however.

O'Carolan's Talent

In the happy days of peace the cast of the original O'Brien harp in the Library of Trinity College, on view at South Kensington Museum, close to Mr. Morley's premises, was a favourite exhibit with visitors. There is also preserved there a facsimile of a letter from Beethoven to Thomson, the Scottish publisher, stating that had Turlogh O'Carolan—1670-1738—the last of the Irish bards, received a continental musical training he would have been the greatest ornament of the school of Irish music. O'Carolan bequeathed his favourite harp to his patroness, Madame MacDermot, of Alderford, Co. Roscommon, but another of his harps is in Britain, having been taken here by his son, who published a volume of his father's compositions in London in 1747. Mr. Morley has worked on many Irish harps in his time.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY

The Street Singer

Along a well-known Belfast thoroughfare a street singer passes every Tuesday. He does not stay long, but he usually leaves the street a good many pence richer than he entered it. Young women resident in the district are among his chief benefactors, but they have a special reason for helping the street singer on his way.

They are members of the staffs of a number of nursing homes in the avenue, whose chief responsibilities are the care of newly-born babies. The street singer's is not the most propitious influence to have in the vicinity when peace and harmony have to be restored in the nursery.

The nurses have been "subsidising" this street singer for some time, but they are firmly of the opinion that their money has been well invested. I trust that this note will not bring a host of other itinerant musicians to the district in the hope of being "bought off."

Versatile Sportswoman

Since your references to versatile sportsmen, I have been cudgelling my brains, writes a correspondent, to recall who was the most versatile sportswoman of recent times.

I think the mantle falls on Miss Hilda Wallis, tennis, international hockey player, golfer, pianist and vocalist, who received several Feis Ceoil distinctions. Her brother, Tommy Wallis, also takes a place in the gallery of versatile sportsmen.

When playing with Wanderers he got his international Rugby cap, and also he was the 120 yards Irish hurdle champion. As a vocalist, he secured all the premier awards at the Dublin Feis Ceoil.

Brontë Relics

In connection with the film, "Jane Eyre," now showing at the Metropole, I saw a few days ago a letter written in Haworth Rectory, where Charlotte wrote the book (says a correspondent). Enclosed in the letter were several picture postcards of Brontë interest, which included:—

One of the interior of the old church, with the three-decker pulpit from which old Mr. Brontë used to preach; and a couple, one exterior and another interior, of the new church, a spacious building to which American admirers of the Brontës contributed very largely.

Two of the parsonage, with the new wing, one including the laneway and schoolhouse, and both showing part of the graveyard.

Portraits

Some of the cards were portraits, one of old Mr. Brontë with the high neck-cloth made of white silk—he always made this himself, and bought the silk for it.

One was of Charlotte, Emily and Anne, painted by Bramwell. The original was discovered in a cupboard in Mr. Nicholl's house in Banagher after his death; one of Charlotte, from the portrait in the National Gallery, London, by W. R. Richmond.

Another picture showed Anne's grave in Scarborough, and another the Brontë waterfall on the moors, the last place visited by Charlotte before her fatal illness.

The Brontë Society does much to keep and promote interest in the Brontës, and it is a joy to all Brontë lovers that the works of the three gifted sisters are so universally read and appreciated.

General Eisenhower

General Eisenhower's early career reads like that of a hero from a novel. In his early life in Texas he was for a time a cowboy. Next he became a professional football player—a job which requires even a tougher constitution than in these islands.

Then, ambitious to have a university education, "Ike" worked on a farm in order to earn the necessary money; but before his plans materialised he entered West Point, from which he graduated in 1915.

QUIDNUNC.

LAW CLERKS ORGANISE

The work of organising law clerks throughout Eire continues, and branches have been formed in Cavan, Dundalk, Killarney, Tralee and Waterford. The first annual meeting of law clerks, under the auspices of the Irish Union of Distributive Workers, will be held in Dublin to-morrow night. One of the principal matters to be discussed is the question of a bonus order application for employees in Dublin solicitors' offices.

EXPANSION OF ST. JOHN BRIGADE

It has been decided to establish a new men's division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Dublin. Recruitment is open to the public, who are invited to attend a course of lectures, which will be given in St. Patrick's Hall (beside Merrion Hall), Lower Merrion street. The first lecture will be given at 8.0 p.m. on February 3rd.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

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BIRTHS

KERR—January 22, 1944, at Robinson Hospital, to Mary (née Wells), wife of G. P. Kerr, Ballywindland, Ballymoney, twin sons.

McCONNELL—January 11, 1944, at Melrose, Putland road, Bray, to Mae, wife of William McConnell, a son.

McFEELY—January 15, 1944, at Cavan, to Jean, wife of Doctor J. C. McFeely, a son (Neil Hugh), brother for Mary Rose.

TYRRELL—January 10, 1944, at Mellifont Nursing Home, to Kay, wife of Robert A. Tyrrell, Dun Laoghaire, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

JOHNSTON and COGHILL — January 19, 1944, at Saint Barrahane's Church, Castle Townshend, by the Rev. J. S. Houston, assisted by the Rev. C. Chavasse, Terence Greer Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Johnston, Raheen House, Ballynahinch, Co. Down, to Katharine Adelaide Hildegarde Coghill, only daughter of the late Sir Egerton Coghill, Bt., and of Lady Coghill, Glen Barrahane, Castle Townshend, Co. Cork.

O'DWYER and HISCOE—January 6, 1944, at St. Mary of the Angels' Church, Cardiff, by the Rev. J. Walsh, Dr. John Noel Studdert O'Dwyer, younger son of Mrs. M. L. O'Dwyer and the late Dr. Peter O'Dwyer, J.P., The Cottage, Ennistymon, Co. Clare, to Patricia Monica, only daughter of H. St. L. Hiscoe and Mrs. Hiscoe, Barry, Glamorganshire.

WALLACE and SUTHERLAND — January 12, 1944, at St. Brigid's Church, Clara, by the Rev. B. Lougheed, M.A., R.D., Paul, only son of Paul and Mrs. Wallace, Beechill, Ballyduff, Tullamore, to Gertrude Sarah Taylor, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Sutherland, Eddington, Clara, Offaly.

DEATHS

FINNEGAN—January 24, 1944 (suddenly), Annie Finnegan, for 22 years the faithful and respected servant of the Hibernian United Service Club, Stephen's Green, Dublin.

GELSTON—January 24, 1944, at her residence, St. Quentin, Glenageary, Co. Dublin, Nannie, widow of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Gelston, Dunbeg, Glenageary, Co. Dublin, and daughter of the late William Keating Clay and Mrs Clay, Meadow Bank, Terenure. Funeral to Dean's Grange, after Service at St. Paul's, Glenageary, at 10 a.m. to-morrow (Thursday), 27th instant.

HUTCHINSON (by cable)—January 10, 1944 William Deey, formerly of Killiney, third son of the late Robert Deey Hutchinson and Mrs. Hutchinson, of Dundrum.

LESLIE—January 25, 1944, at Glasslough House, Colonel Sir John Leslie, Bart., C.B.E., in his 87th year, late of the Grenadier Guards. Much beloved and deeply regretted. Funeral arrangements later.

McCAULEY—January 24, 1944, at his residence, Market square, Navan, Richard, beloved husband of the late Mrs. McCauley. Funeral at 2 p.m. to St. Mary's Church, Navan, to-morrow (Thursday).

MURPHY—January 25, 1944, at his residence, Abbey street, Ballinrobe, Patrick J. (Paddy) Murphy. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to Ballinrobe Church this (Wednesday) evening at 5 o'clock. High Mass to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock. Funeral immediately afterwards to cemetery.

WARD—January 25, 1944, at the Meath Hospital, Dublin, William Henry, dearly-beloved husband of Frances Ward, St. Edmundsbury, Lucan. Funeral to Abbeyleix to-morrow (Thursday), arriving 10.50 a.m.

WOODCOCK (Dublin) — January 25, 1944, at his residence, Shanid, Brighton road, Rathgar, Albert Woodcock, solicitor. Deeply regretted by his family. Funeral (strictly private) to-morrow (Thursday) to Mount Jerome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

IN MEMORIAM

HARDY—In loving memory of Evene Lucy Hardy (Birdie), who passed to the Better Life at her home, Glengariff, Dalkey, on the 26th of January, 1941; the much-loved wife of Octavus Hardy.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Justice, Eire, made in a suit, THE GOVERNOR AND COMPANY OF THE BANK OF IRELAND, Plaintiffs; THE REVD. MATTHEW O'CONNOR, Defendant.

All persons claiming to be incumbrancers affecting the Defendant's interest in parts of the Townland of Roebuck, commonly called Harlech, containing respectively 0.602 roods, 0.602 roods, 0.628 roods, 0.628 roods, 0.628 roods, 0.628 roods, and 0.628 roods, or thereabouts, Statute measure, all situate in the Barony of Rathdown, County Dublin, held under Leases dated respectively the 5th day of April, 1937, made between Lucy M. Jeffares and George Whitney, of the one part, and Thomas F. Curtin of the other part, for the respective terms of 200 years, at the respective yearly rents of £8 0 0, are to enter their claims at the Central Office (Room 110) of the High Court of Justice, Four Courts, Dublin, on or before the 12th day of February, 1944, and to prove by same date, or, in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order. Every such incumbrancer holding any security is to produce the same at the Examiner's Office of the said Court on the 15th day of February, 1944, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated the 14th day of December, 1943.
THOMAS E. B. ADDERLEY, Examiner.
WM. C. HOGAN and SONS, Solicitors for Plaintiffs, 3 Lower Merrion street, Dublin.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of AMY L. FITZGERALD, late of Laurel Lodge, Mountmellick, in the County of Leix, Widow, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic., Chap. 54, that the above-named Deceased by her Will dated the 12th day of March, 1943, bequeathed a sum of £300 to the Representative Church Body of Ireland, the income thereof to be paid annually to the Sustentation Fund for the Parish of Maryborough for the augmentation of the Incumbent for the time being; a sum of £100 to the Stewart Institution for Mentally Defective Children, and a sum of £200 to the Old Men's Asylum, Leeson Park, Dublin.

Testator died on the 5th day of May, 1943, and Probate of her said Will was on the 14th day of August, 1943, granted forth of the District Registry, Kilkenny, of the High Court of Justice (Probate), Eire, to Alured Rolleston, of Maryborough, in the County of Leix, Solicitor, the sole Executor of the said Will named.

Dated this 19th day of January, 1944.
A. ROLLESTON, Solicitor, Maryborough.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, Dublin, and to all whom it may concern.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of MARTHA TACKABERRY, late of Camaderry, Glendalough, County Wicklow, Spinster, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be Creditors or otherwise to have claims or demands against the estate or assets of the said Martha Tackaberry, who died on the 13th day of March, 1943, are hereby required to furnish (in writing) particulars of such claims or demands on or before the 12th day of February, 1944, to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor of the Will of the said Deceased to whom Probate thereof was on the 14th day of August, 1943, granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Eire.

And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 12th day of February, 1944, the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall have had notice.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1944.
EDWARD W. WARREN, Solicitor, ...

JOSEPH VINCENT DELANY, late of Hollypark, Crettyard, in the County of Carlow, Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 22-23 Vic., C 35, that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 3rd day of June, 1942, are hereby required on or before the 6th day of March, 1944, to send particulars in writing of their claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for Miss Harriet E. Delany, the Administratrix of the personal estate of the said Deceased, to whom Letters of Administration of his personal estate were granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 12th day of May, 1943. AND NOTICE is hereby further given that after the said 6th day of March, 1944, the said Administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which the said Administratrix shall then have had notice.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1944.
STEPHEN A. MURTAGH, Solicitor for the said Administratrix, 58 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.

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We buy your Scrap Metal AND PAY HIGHEST PRICES
HOWARD MacGARVEY ...

MISCELLANEOUS

OWING to pressure on our space to-day, many advertisements ordered for this issue are unavoidably held over.

JUST ARRIVED from Switzerland a small consignment of the Famous "Comfort" Knickers in superfine Locknit; guaranteed non-ladder. Shades: Ivory, Pink, Sky, Beige. W. Size, 13/11. NEWELL'S, GRAFTON ST., DUBLIN.

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CHEMIST'S Business for Sale, Dublin ready-cash district; large profitable turnover; audited figures. Principals only; bank reference.—Messrs. Jas. O'Connor and Co., Solicitors, 1 Dame st.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUN LAOGHAIRE BOROUGH CORPORATION.
ANNUAL REVISION OF RATEABLE VALUATIONS.
DECISIONS ON APPEALS.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:—
1. That consequent upon inquiry into the subject matter of all notices received from persons aggrieved by reason of the valuation or inaccurate statement of area or inaccurate description of any tenement or hereditament, the Commissioner of Valuation has on this date transmitted to me a statement of all the cases in this Borough in which he has altered or refused to alter the valuation or statement of area of any such tenement or hereditament or otherwise amended the same in accordance with Section 20 of the Valuation (Ireland) Act, 1852.
2. That the said statement will remain open for inspection at my office, and extracts therefrom may be taken between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., for twenty-one days from the date hereof.
3. That any person aggrieved by the valuation of any tenement or tenements contained in said statement, and desiring to appeal therefrom, may, within twenty-one days from the date hereof, by post or otherwise deliver to me a notice, in writing, duly signed by him, the said person aggrieved, or by his known agent, of his intention to appeal to the Circuit Court in the manner provided under Section 22 of the said Valuation (Ireland) Act, 1852.
Dated this 25th day of January, 1944.
T. D. WYER, Acting Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Dun Laoghaire.

COMHAIRLE CHONNDAE BHAILE ATHA CLIATH (County Dublin County Council).
ANNUAL REVISION OF VALUATION FIRST APPEALS, 1943.
Notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Valuation has, on the 25th day of January, 1944, transmitted to me a schedule of his decisions on the appeals to him in the County of Dublin.
The appeal list is now open for inspection at my office, and may be seen any week-day up to and including Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1944, between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
All notices of appeal to the Circuit Court against these decisions should be lodged with me not later than Tuesday, the 15th day of February, 1944.
FRANCIS A. MAGUIRE, Acting County Secretary.
11 Parnell square, Dublin, 26th January, 1944.

COMHAIRLE CHONNDAE BHAILE ATHA CLIATH. (COUNTY DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL.)
TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.
The County Commissioner invites Tenders from competent and experienced Building Contractors for carrying out general repairs, repointing of fronts, and external painting at Nos. 5, 6 and 11 Parnell Square, Dublin.
Specification and all other particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Engineer, No. 6 Parnell Square, Dublin, on deposit of £2 2/-, returnable on receipt of a bona fide Tender.
Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, will be received not later than Friday, 25th February, 1944.
By Order, F. A. MAGUIRE, Acting County Secretary.
Offices: 11 Parnell Square, Dublin. Date: 26th January, 1944.

TENDERS.

FOR SALE.
PROPOSALS are invited by the Manager, Urban District Council, Youghal, for the disposal of 29 Steel Columns and 51 C.I. Columns, the former 14'-6" and the latter 12'-6"; also 46 W.I. Swan-necks. He will also dispose of 100 Copper Square Lanterns, 100 Hortsmann Gear 15-day Clocks, 74 Suggs "Rochester" suspension type Lamps, and a quantity of new material, such as new 4-light and 6-light Lamps, C.I. Column Caps. Columns and Swan-necks are still standing in their respective positions throughout the Urban District of Youghal, where they may be inspected prior to removal by the Gas Department. Proposals, endorsed "Columns," to be addressed to the Manager, U.D.C., Town Hall, Youghal, must be received not later than 12.0 noon on the 17th February, 1944.

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AUCTIONEER'S Assistant Wtd. to open up and establish a House Agency business; state experience and salary expected. Box O 1780.

AUCTIONS.

ON VIEW THIS DAY, 10 TILL 5.
Re JOSEPH P. CULLEN, Deceased.
HILLSBORO', 81 MONKSTOWN ROAD.
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), at 12 Noon,
IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE OF A CHOICE COLLECTION OF ANTIQUE & MODERN FURNITURE, PIANO, RADIO, VIOLIN, SILVER PLATE, CHINA, FISHING TACKLE, REFRIGERATOR, AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD, PERSONAL & GARDEN EFFECTS, being the entire contents of the Residence, comprising, briefly: German Upright PIANO by Laurinat & Co.; Inlaid Mahy. Duet Seat; VALUABLE VIOLIN and exceptionally fine bow, Pye all-mains RADIO SET; H.M.V. Gramophone and Records antique Inlaid and painted Satinwood Semi-elliptical Table, Inlaid Satinwood Oval Table, NELSON Mahy. Dining Table, rope legs and border; Sets GEORGIAN Mahy. Dining Chairs and Carvers; CHIPPENDALE Mahy. Hall Table, Chippendale Grandfather Clock brass dial; Pair CHIPPENDALE pierced Splat-back Chairs, Inlaid Mahy. Slope-front Bureau, Oak Roll-top DESK, Mahy. open BOOKCASE, Sheraton Folding-top Card Table, Oak WELSH DRESSER; Mahy. Drop-leaf, Oval Folding-top, Walnut, Sutherland and Trio Tables; French painted Armchair and Gilt Settee in brocade; Chesterfield Couches, Divan Easy and Occasional Chairs; Oak Dumb-Waiter, Mahy. pillar Coat Stand, Oak Rug Chest, Fiddle-shaped Barometers, Mantel and Wall Mirrors, Screens, Clocks, Pedestal, Inlaid Mahy. Drop front Coal Cabinet, Brass and Copper Coal Helmets, pierced Brass and other Fenders, Electric Fires and Lamps; DECORATIVE CHINA, Vases, Figures, Ornaments, etc.; TABLE CHINA & GLASS, including Dinner, Dessert and Tea Sets; Silver Plate, including Entrée Dishes, Tea Set, Salvers, Candlesticks, etc.; CUTLERY: Sets Spoons, Forks, Fish Eaters, etc.; Books, Pictures, including Water-Colours, Engravings, Coloured Prints, etc.; Axminster and other Room and Stair CARPETS, Linos; Persian, Chinese and other Rugs; Chippendale-style Brass-mounted Mahy. Dwarf Wardrobe, Mahy. Chests of Drawers, Dressing Table, Crutch-frame Toilet Mirror, Cheval Mirror and Commodes, White Enamel and Satin-walnut Bedroom Suites; Mahy., Oak and Metal Single and Double BEDS, W.W. Spring, Hair and Odearest Mattresses; HOUSEHOLD LINEN & BLANKETS, Sheets, Pillows, Curtains, Furniture Covers, etc.; TROUT RODS, Reels, Flies and Tackle; several dozen GOLF BALLS and Clubs; Suit Cases, Geological Collection of Minerals; STRONG SAFE, ELECTROLUX Vacuum Cleaner, Ewbank Carpet Sweeper; "HOTPOINT" ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR, Electric Ring and Iron, All-Enamel REGULO GAS COOKER, Kitchen Cabinet, Presses, Tables, Chairs and Utensils; GARDEN EFFECTS: Lawn Mower, Garden Tools, small Roller, Wheelbarrow, Garden Seats, Deck Chairs, Meat Safe, Ladder, etc., etc. ON VIEW TO-DAY, 10 TO 5, AND TO-MORROW, 10 TO 12. SALE TO-MORROW AT 12 O'C. prompt. ADMISSION TO VIEW AND SALE BY TICKET ONLY, 1/- EACH. Telephone direct to house 81696, or to our Head Office 62557.
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ON VIEW TUESDAY NEXT, 10—5.
Admission to View and Sale, 1/-. Terms—Cash and 5 per cent. Commission.
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AUCTIONEERS & VALUERS,
111 GRAFTON ST. Tel.: 73588 (2 lines).

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AT 13 D'OLIER STREET, DUBLIN,
THIS DAY, at 2.30 p.m.
(AS ALREADY FULLY ADVERTISED.)
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SKILLED Worker Wtd. for overhauling and cleaning sewing machine; private. Box O 1802.

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WTD., well educated Youth as Apprentice to Wholesale Electrical Business; no fee; reasonable wages to commence. Box M 671.

WANTED in outdoor Catering Establishment, country, Assistant Manageress-Cook; must have good knowledge of sweets dishing, and decorating; capable of taking charge of stores; indoor; good wages to suitable applicant. Box Z 1816, Manageress.

WTD., Protestant Mother's Help, assist all duties; 2 children; compact country house, near Roscrea; Esse cooker, electric light. Copies refs. and salary required to Box Z 1813, Mother's Help.

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AT Greystones, detached, non-basement Residence; 5 family bedrooms, 3 reception, servant's room; tennis court, gardens, etc.; price £1,400.—Hamilton and Hamilton, 17 Dawson street.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. Nos. 106, 112, 130, 132 and 134 Kincora road, Clontarf—Five well built modern houses, let and producing an income of approximately £442 per annum. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. 12/15 Castle Grove, Clontarf—Two modern, semi-detached Houses, let and producing an income of approximately £216 per annum. Vacant possession of No. 15 if required. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. 75/77 Dollymount avenue, Clontarf—Two modern, semi-detached Houses, let and producing an income of approximately £186 per annum. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. 7 Nelson street (off Berkeley road)—7 rooms and basement. Vacant possession. Ground Rent £9 4/7; P.L.V. £23. Keys from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. 401 Clontarf road—In two self-contained flats, let at £1 and £1 5/- weekly. Ground Rent £10; P.L.V. £20. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. Raheen, Artane—Detached Bungalow, let at £60 per annum, landlord paying rates. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. Profit Ground Rent of £52 12/6, issuing out of 20 houses at Killester; gross rental £139. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION Sale, Thursday, 3rd February, at 30 College Green, at 2.30 p.m. 7 The Stiles road, Howth road, modern, semi-detached House; 2 reception rooms, 4 bedrooms, garage, etc.; Ground Rent £10 10/-; P.L.V. £28. Vacant possession. Keys at No. 28. Further particulars from the Auctioneers: Jackson Stops and McCabe. Telephone 21601.

AUCTION, 16th February, "St. Anne's," Riverside Drive, Castlepark, Rathfarnham; possession; beautiful modern house; well recommended.—Bernard J. Brangan, M.I.A.A., 4 Leinster street. Tel. 64868.

ATTRACTIVE Investments—Houses in Flats; 10 per cent.—Megahey, Auctioneer, Sandycove.

AT Rathgar—Pre-war; 5 family bedrooms, 3 reception, billiard room, garage, etc. Hamilton & Hamilton.

AT Terenure—Modern Residence; 3 bedrooms, 2 reception, cloakroom, garage, etc.; price £1,550.—Hamilton & Hamilton.

AT Killiney—Modern Detached Bungalow; 3 bedrooms, 2 reception rooms, breakfast room, garage, etc.; price £1,700. Hamilton & Hamilton.

A LOAN on your House or to Purchase a House, repayable over a period of years, may be had on easy terms from the Educational Building Society. Existing mortgages cleared off and extra advances made if desired. No waiting. Minimum costs. Apply Offices, 3 Lower Abbey street, Dublin. 'Phone 62402.

BOWLES and Co., Estate Agents, 24 Sth. Frederick st., offer: Modern House, Drumcondra, £975; North Circular rd., £1,300; Monkstown, large Residence, extensive garden, £2,000; also Mansion, on 20 acres, £8,000; Co. Wicklow, Farm, 150 acres, with modern Residence, bathroom, etc., extensive out-offices, convenient position, £3,500, 300 acres, large Residence, £3,600; Co. Dublin, Bungalow, on 12 acres, 10 miles from city, £1,100. 'Phone 63792.

BARGAIN—Dun Laoghaire; nett income £63; recently overhauled; £950.—Allen, Townsend, 10 Stephen's Green.

COLLINS Ave., Drumcondra—Attractive, semi-detached, modern Residence, with garage; 2 reception, 3 bedrooms, large kitchen with boiler grate, bathroom, and sep. w.c.; price £1,150; loan available.—O'Hare and Co., 55 Grafton st. Telephone 71952.

COMFORTABLE, modern House, 21 Melrose avenue, Fairview; 2 recep. rooms, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, sep. w.c.; good garden and garage. Seen 3-5 p.m., except Saturday

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CASTLEPARK, Rathfarnham — One of these attractive, modern Houses; 3 reception, 5 bedrooms. Full details from the Agents, Browne and Dowse, 2 Dawson street.

COSY Villa, 5 Doon ave., Ellesmere ave., near Cattle Market; big garden, garage; £950 loan available; open daily. Sole Agent, Albert MacArthur, Housefinder.

CLONTARF; 2 reception, 4 bedrooms, breakfast room; newly decorated; immersion heater; 10 years' further remission of rates; modern. Box O 1335.

CLONTARF—Non-basement brick House; 2 reception, 5 bedrooms; newly decorated; suit investor; moderate outgoings; £1,400.—Browne & Dowse, 2 Dawson st.

EXECUTOR'S Sale, St. Clare, 5 Grosvenor place, Rathmines; let in self-contained flats; net income £216 2/7; when fully let produces £252 2/7. Auction, 2nd Feb., at 4 Leinster street, South.—Bernard J. Brangan, M.I.A.A. Tel. 64868.

FOR Auction—Profit Rent of £85 8 11, arising out of Nos. 192, 194, 194a Lower Rathmines road, at our Property Salerooms, South Great George's street, on Thursday next, 27th inst., at 1.15 p.m. Full particulars and order to view from Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd., Auctioneers.

FOR Auction — 44 South Lotts road, Ringsend; a neat two-storey, brick-built, non-basement House, at our Salerooms, South Great George's street, on Thursday next, 27th inst., at 1.15 p.m. Full particulars and order to view from Thos. Dockrell Sons and Co., Ltd., Auctioneers.

FOR Auction—Profit Rent of £27 7 5, arising out of No. 1 and 2 Dartmouth place, Ranelagh at our Property Salerooms, South Great George's street, on Thursday next, 27th inst., at 1.15 p.m. Full particulars and order to view from Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd. Auctioneers.

FARM for Sale, with residence and extensive farm buildings South side, 65 statute acres; annuity and rates about 30/- per acre; convenient rail and 'bus, 7 miles from city.—T. MacKeogh & Sons, Ltd., 33 Blackhall street.

GLASNEVIN (Mobhi road)—Modern Semi-detached, red brick House, porched entrance; 2 reception, 4 bedrooms, all conveniences, garage, large gardens; 2d. 'bus fare; £1,600. Box O 1800.

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HIGGINS & Co.—Killiney, 'bus route—Luxurious Detached Bungalow; electric cooking; near golf; £1,650.

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HIGGINS & Co.—Sandycove—Detached Bungalow, large gardens, garage; rem. rates; £1,200.

HIGGINS & Co.—Dun Laoghaire, sea front, near baths; 8 bedrooms; suit hotel; £1,800.

HIGGINS & Co.—Mt. Merrion—Modern Double-fronted Residence, 4 bedrooms, £1,650; another, 3 bedrooms, £1,250.

HIGGINS & Co.—Dun Laoghaire—Attractive Semi-detached Modern House; gardens; elevated site, overlooking golf links; 4 bedrooms; excellent order; £1,350.

HIGGINS & Co.—Foxrock—Delightful Modern Residence, 4 bedrooms, 3 reception; tennis court; £3,000.

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MOUNT Merrion—Mod. 2 rec., 3 bed; G.R. £9; P.L.V. £19 10 0; price £1,150.—Terence Dunlop and Co., 111 Grafton street.

PRIORY Rd., Harold's Cross—Attractive modern House, 2 reception, 3 bedrooms; for sale privately; price £990. Box O 1791.

ROSEFIELD, Kerrymount avenue, Foxrock—Convenient, non-basement, detached Residence, in perfect order and repair; on 'bus route. Auction 8th Feb. Hamilton & Hamilton, 17 Dawson street.

HOUSES AND LANDS CONTINUED

SALE 8th Feb., by Albert MacArthur, The Housefinder, D'Olier street.

SALE 8th Feb., neat Investment, £104 yearly from Business Concerns, 13 Wilfrid terrace, Harold's Cross.

SALE 8th Feb., 420 Griffith ave., near Mobhi road; 'bus 19a; choice House; 3 rec., 4 bdrms., garage.

SALE 8th Feb., 20 Upr. Grand Canal street (vacant); 6 apts.; also No. 22, let at £65 18/-.

SALE, 8th Feb., printed details, view cards. 'Phone 76754-5.

SOUTH City, 3d. tram fare—Detached Modern Bungalow; 3 bedrooms, 2 reception, kitchen, bathroom, etc.; £1,800. No agents. Box M 675.

3 GLENAGEARY Hill, Executor's Sale. Pre-war Residence, 3 reception, 4 bedrooms. Possession. Auction 26th.—Terence Dunlop and Co., 111 Grafton st.

39 PERCY place, close to Mount street Bridge, good House, large accommodation, gardens and garage; vacant possession. Auction, 8th Feb.—Hamilton and Hamilton, 17 Dawson street. X

£100 P.A. well secured Rent arising out of substantial property, South city; price £1,650.—O'Hare and Co., 55 Grafton st. Telephone 71952.

HOUSES TO LET.

FITZWILLIAM street—Splendid House, ideal professional man; moderate rent. Allen, Townsend, 10 Stephen's Green

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TASTEFULLY Furnished House, Upper Leeson street; no children; £12 12 monthly.—Allen Townsend, 10 Stephen's Green.

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MODERN House Wtd. to Rent or Buy, Nth. or Sth. side, on tram lines or 'bus routes. Box O 1814.

REQUIRED immediately, good House in Flats; possession of 1 flat desirable; £2,000 offered. Details to Box O 1734.

RENT or Purchase, 4-5 bedroomed House, garden, garage, within area Ballsbridge, Stillorgan, Dalkey. Box Z 1713, House. X

VACANT Possession of House for club premises, city area; will Rent or Buy. Details, W. M., 28 Longford terrace, Monkstown.

WANTED, House to Rent, £84-£120, good locality; 3-4 bedrooms; garage, garden, etc.; solvent tenant; best references; lease 1-5 years. Box O 1242.

WTD. to Rent or Buy (£1,400), South suburbs, convenient city, Modern House, 2 reception 3-4 bedrooms. Box O 1317.

WTD., immediately, good type Bungalow, within 4 miles city; Raheny district or South suburbs preferred; price about £1,400-1,500.—Jackson Stops & McCabe, 30 College Green. 'Phone 21601/2.

WANTED to Rent, Family House, Foxrock, Stillorgan, Donnybrook areas; £150 to £170 offered; excellent tenant. Replies to Smith Griffin and Co., 140 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. Telephone 21554. X

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AUCTION, 3rd Feb., at 2.30 p.m.—"Lewis's Central Hotel," Greystones; fully licensed, furnished and equipped; splendid quotas; on 'bus route (D.U.T.C.), near rail.—Battersby, Auctioneers, 39 Westmoreland street. X

AT Traffic lights, fitted Tobacconist, Hairdressing Saloon; 4 apts., bath, 19 Nth. Frederick st. Sale 8th Feb., Albert MacArthur, Housefinder. X

BUILDING Ground, Let or Sell; long lease; good frontage. Apply Mrs. Bradshaw, Artane. X

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ACCOMMODATION, nice house, South side; moderate; suit Protestant business lady. Box O 1812.

A QUIET lady, out all day, can have small Furnd. Bedroom, Ballsbridge-Sandymount. Box O 1325.

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BOARD Residence, Bed-Sittingrooms, all rooms have electric fires on slot meters; excellent cooking; separate diningroom.—19 Raglan rd., Ballsbridge. 2d. tram from Pillar. 'Phone 628491.

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FITZWILLIAM square, 2nd floor, three rooms, kitchen, bathroom; cooker, geyser; £90.—Maguire, 45 Molesworth street.

HIGGINS & Co., M.I.A.A., Dun Laoghaire, for lists of all available Flats, Furnd. and Unfurnd., Blackrock to Dalkey. 'Phone 81691.

HATCH street—Small Furn., self-contd. Flat; £9 9s. 0d.—Hamilton and Hamilton, 17 Dawson street.

MODERN Bed-Sittingrooms. 'Phone 653861. Restaurant. Full, partial board, Mod.—15 Lr. Mount st., Merrion Sq.

TO Let, self-contd. Flat, Rathgar, private house; 3 good rooms, gas, electricity, own bath and lavatory. Box O 1742.

99 STEPHEN'S Green — Board Residence, single or sharing; central; telephone.

APARTMENTS, FLATS WANTED.

ACCOMMODATION required by gentleman; £2 weekly; South side preferred. Box O 1362.

ELDERLY Lady Requires Furnished Room, reasonably near R.C. Church; highest references. Box O 1827.

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LADY Teacher requires good Flat; central or near tram train. Box O 1307.

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SEASIDE AND COUNTRY

FURND. House or Bungalow Wtd. for July in Howth or Sutton. Box O 1336.

MARRIED couple require Furnd. Bungalow, Cottage, self-contd. Flat; e.l.; long term from May; Bray preferably, Greystones, or within 2 miles radius either; no children, no dogs. Box Z 1823, Bungalow

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APARTMENTS AND FLATS

AT Monkstown, sea front—Garden Flat, unfurnished private house; adults. Box O 1795.

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ARGENTINA BREAKS WITH AXIS

ARGENTINA has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany and Japan, as was reported in our later edition yesterday.

An Argentine Government statement, broadcast by the State Radio, indicated that the decision was based on the fact that investigation had "proved conclusively the existence in the country of a vast network of espionage by Axis agents."

The statement added:—"The Argentine is confronted with repeated acts which have already been condemned by the Government and by public opinion. The repetition of these acts by people and organisations helped by the German Government makes it impossible that they could be the spontaneous acts of spies themselves. All this activity is obviously part of the plan of the Axis Governments to consider the territory of the Argentine Republic as a centre of illicit activities, with complete indifference towards their duties and respect for the Argentine Republic, and the dangers such an attitude could cause to a neutral country."

Every State in the new world is now either at war with Germany and Japan or has no relations with them.—(Reuter, A.P. and P.A.)

A Paraguay Government announcement stated that an attempted revolution at dawn yesterday was foiled. An official communiqué from the Paraguay Government said that units of the disbanded Liberal Party and allied organisations tried to take possession of police headquarters and barracks.

Children's Allowance For Refugees

Mr. F. H. O'Donnell was told in the Senate yesterday that three refugee children who were living with him would qualify for children's allowances. He had asked the Minister for Industry and Commerce about the clause which provides that children, in order to qualify for allowances, should ordinarily be resident in this country.

Mr. O'Donnell said that he had three refugee children living with him for the last five years, but they were only "temporarily resident."

The Minister replied that in such a case he thought the children would qualify for allowances, even if they were the children of non-nationals.

The Minister refused to accept an amendment by Mr. G. Sweetman which would permit allowances to be paid in respect of children who were boarded out with a relative.

Mr. Lemass said that the amendment would conflict with a fundamental principle of the bill—namely, that there was not to be any means test or investigation of that kind.

The amendment was withdrawn, and the remaining part of the Committee stage was passed.

Egg Trade Outlook Brighter

More eggs, but better prices. This is the paradoxical position in the Irish egg trade. Normally, increased supplies would adversely affect the market, but in war times, apparently, the laws of supply and demand do not follow the usual course. Through a misunderstanding, it was stated in Tuesday's issue that the price of eggs during the coming months would be much lower than last year, provided that the producers generally market appreciably increased quantities.

With the onflow of supplies following the seasonal scarcity, the price of eggs on the home market has been falling recently, but with improved production there is no doubt that the average summer price this year will show an improvement on last year, and next winter's average will prove to be above the present one. The export price of hen eggs at present permit all producers, even in the most remote part of the country, a rate of 2s. 2d. per dozen.

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